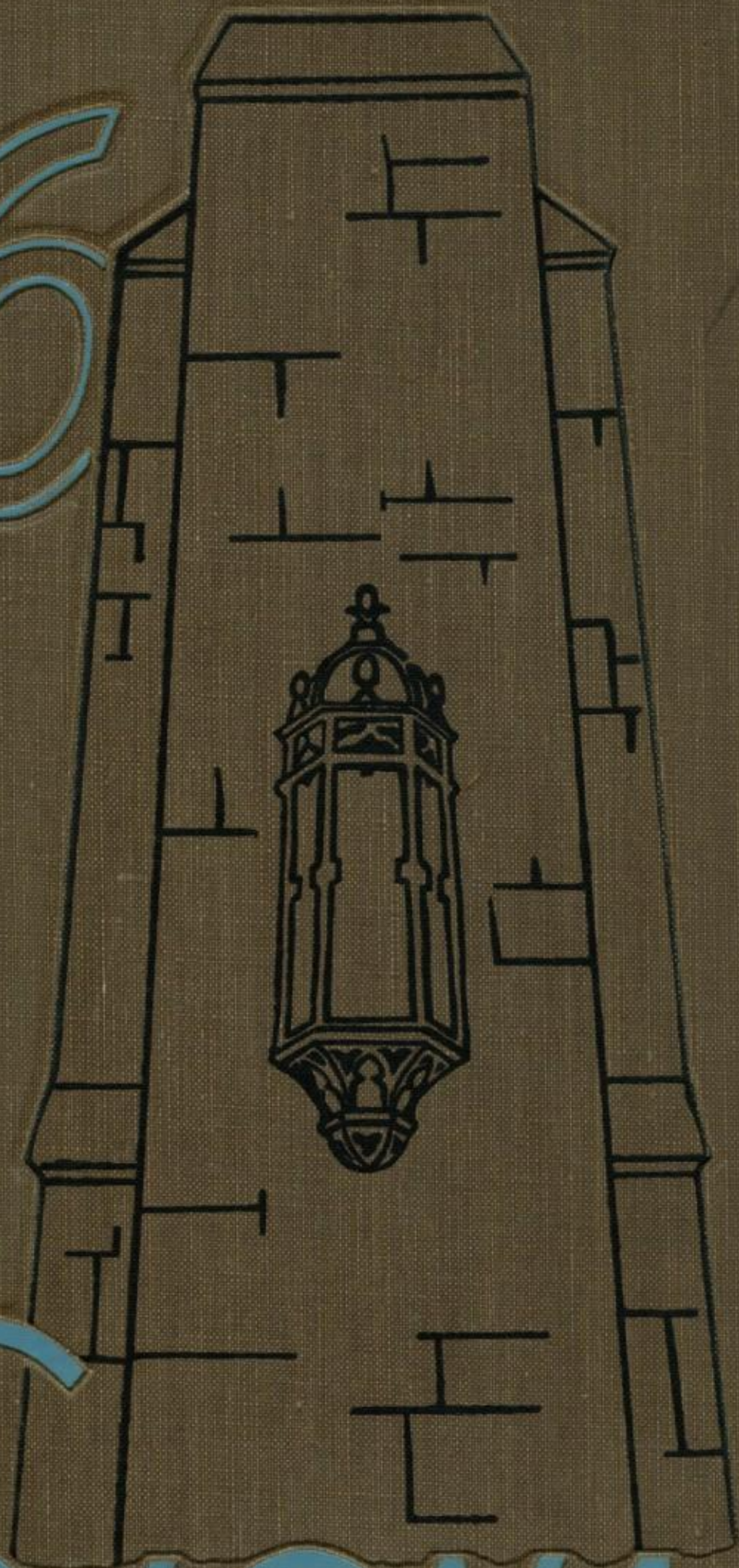


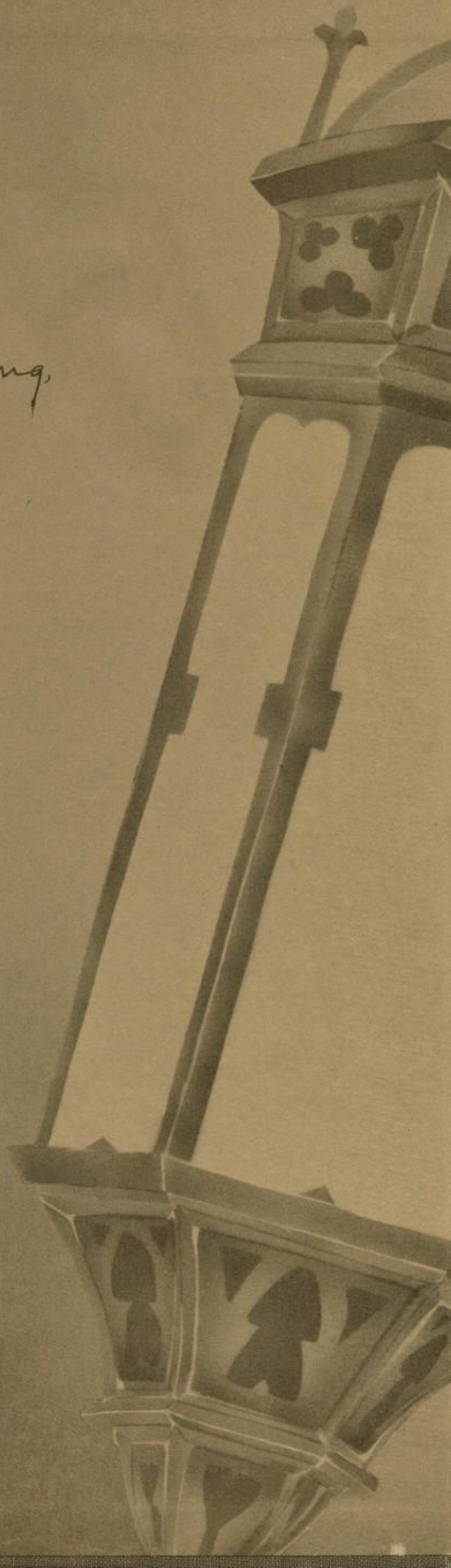
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SIGNAL

Pat Liefert

Aloft our banners waving,
We pledge to thee,
Dear Alma Mater,
Hearts of loyalty.



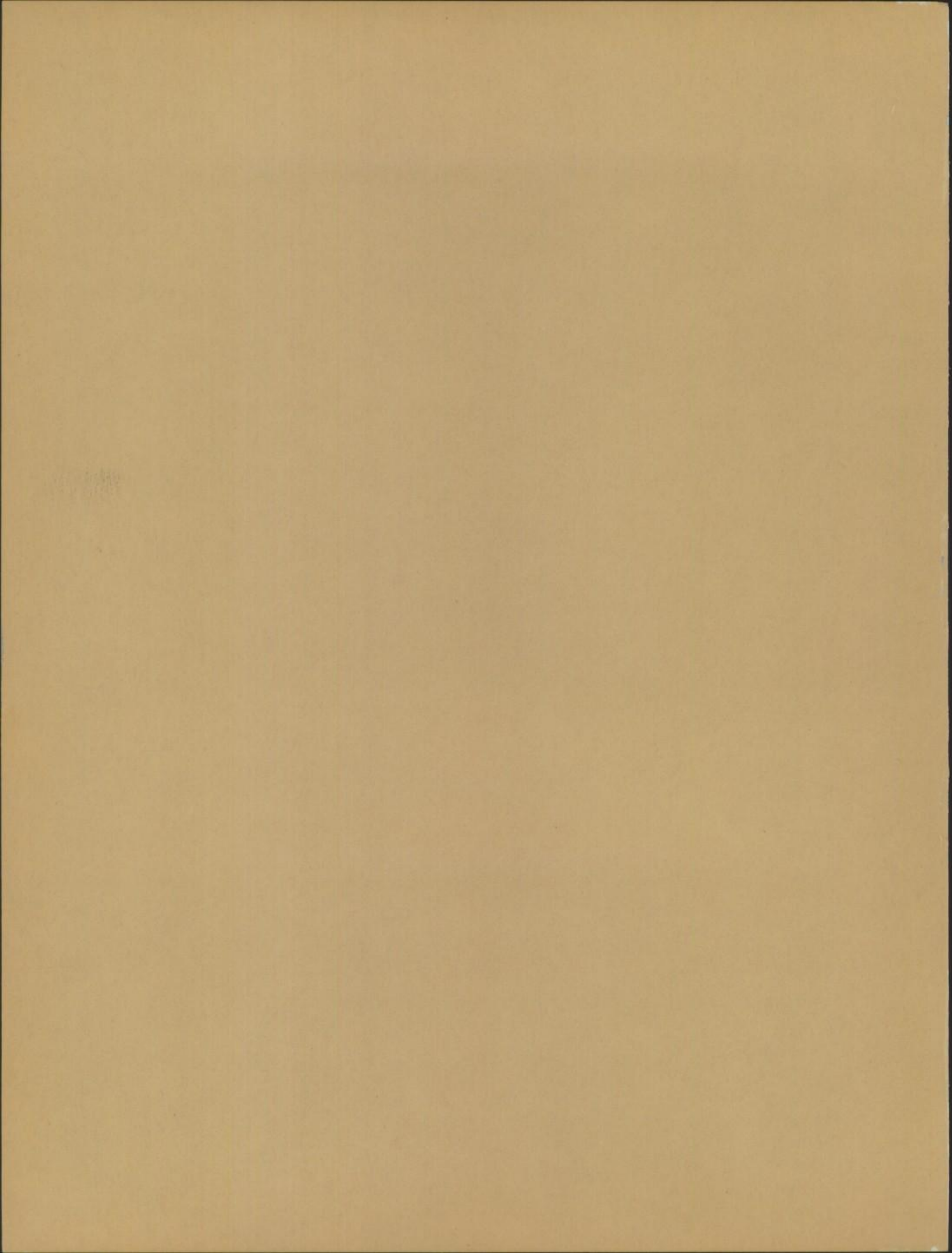


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Then here's to Norwalk High School.
Our cheers we fling
Far as the echoes
May our praises ring.

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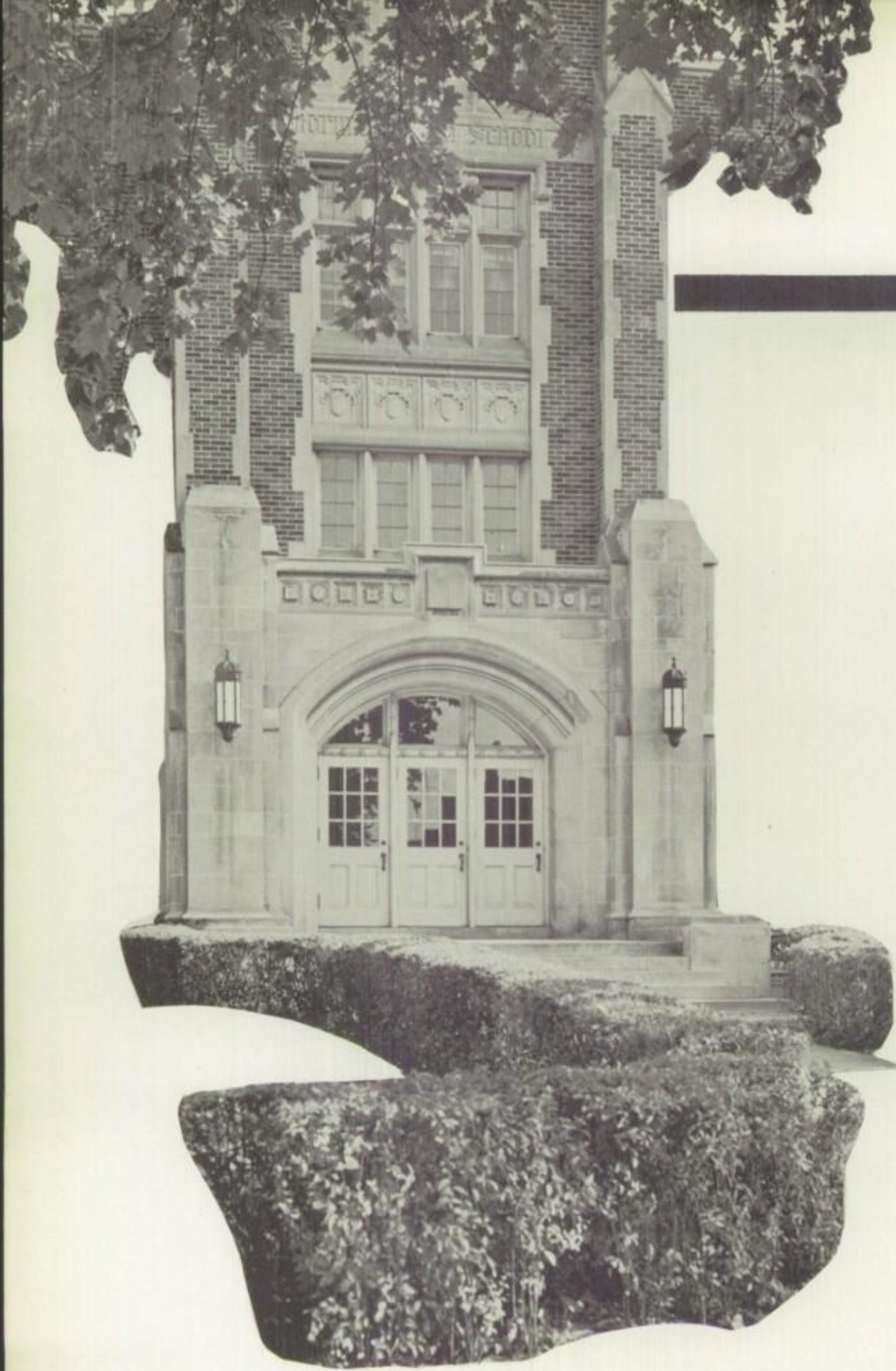




1956 SIGNAL

NORWALK HIGH SCHOOL

NORWALK, OHIO



We Salute

WE salute Norwalk High as symbolized by our Alma Mater.

The words to the Alma Mater are familiar to every student at NHS. They represent all phases of school life.

We hear the song dozens of times each year - at pep meetings, at football and basketball games, when the band marches down the main street on Veterans' Day, and at graduation. For us, the trio of "Our Director March" will always be our Alma Mater - a personal possession.

In saluting our Alma Mater, we also salute Miss Madge C. Mossman. Miss Mossman has been a teacher of Latin and English at Norwalk High for many years, during which she has rendered many important services to the school.

One of the most outstanding of these was furnishing the words for our Alma Mater.

She wrote these words in 1928 to the music suggested by Mr. R. P. Laycock, the music director.

Editorial Staff

Editor	Dominic Caprara
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Sports	Dominic Caprara
Clubs	Marjorie Fox
Musical Organizations	Jackie Helsel
Advertising	Dick Heaston, Dick Paplinski
Photography	Dominic Caprara

Our Alma Mater



*Aloft our banners waving,
We pledge to thee ...
Dear Alma Mater,
Hearts of Loyalty.
So here's to Norwalk High School,
Our cheers we fling ...
Far as the echoes
May our praises ring.*

*Our blue is for the valor
Of those in the fight;
Filled are our pages
With golden deeds of right.
So here's to Norwalk High School
True to her past,
High bold her colors
Long as time may last.*

Madge C. Mossman

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Aloft our banners waving, We pledge to thee

Norwalk High School,

our school flag,

and Norwalk High students:

these are chosen

to represent the first line

of the Alma Mater

because they symbolize

basic parts of school life.

The building

which becomes as familiar

as our own home;

the flag we see at every game;

and the academic life

are the foundations

from which the various phases

of school life

are built.

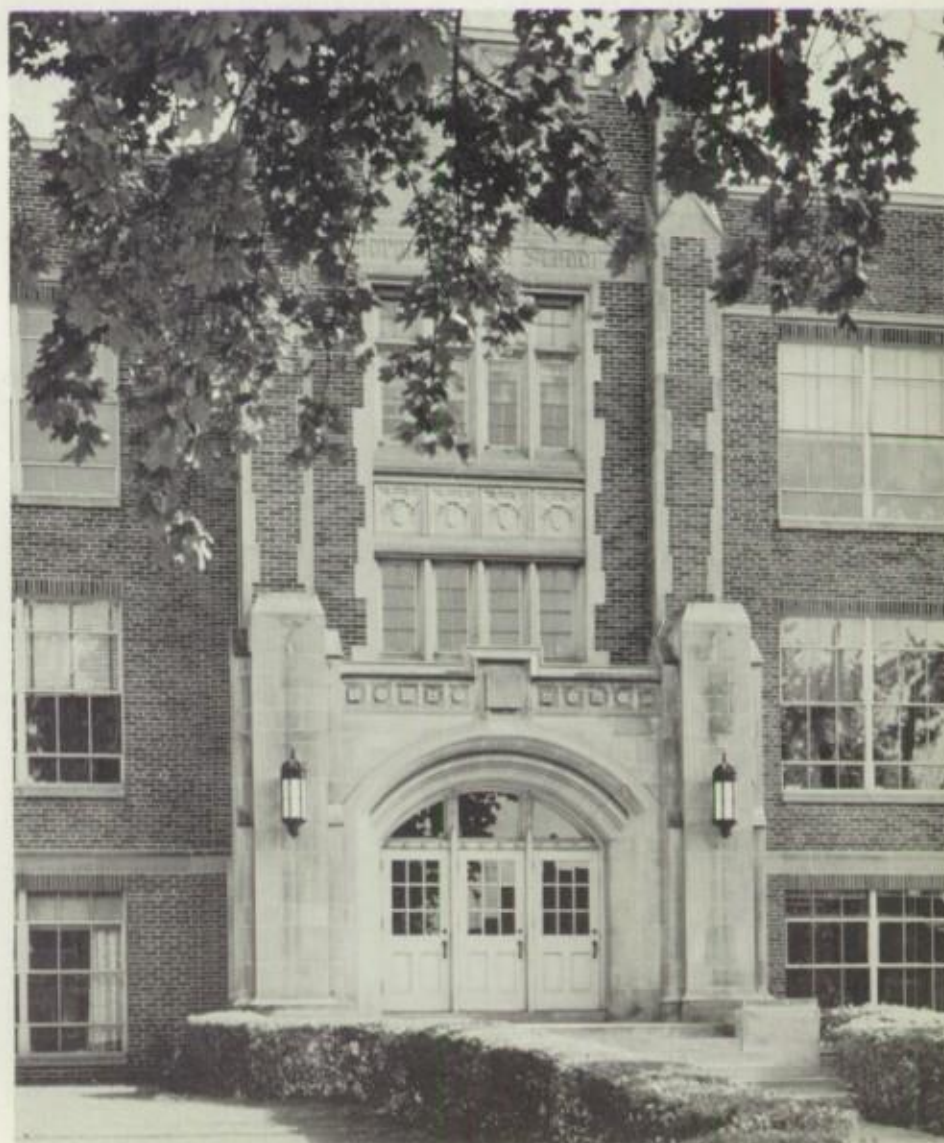
The front entrance to Norwalk
High is familiar to all students.



The lights by the front entrance welcome visitors to the school.



Waving our banner aloft--several students pose with the school flag.



Dear Alma Mater, Hearts of Loyalty.



The Elks' Award for outstanding leadership is presented to Alan Robinson.



Another day's sales in the magazine subscription contest are posted by Captain Dick Heaston.



Ron Morehouse and Allen Leadbetter help the Hi-Y and serve up the popcorn at a basketball game.

We demonstrate our loyalty
to Norwalk High
in many ways.
We gain recognition
outside the school --
for our citizenship and leadership;
we back school projects
with our time and work;
and we give service
to the school clubs
to which we belong.

So here's to Norwalk High School, Our cheers we fling...

Life at Norwalk High

has its lighter side.

The cheerleaders are

our official cheer flingers,

but the German band and the pep band

add much to our pep rallies and our games.

There are times, too,

when we "let down our hair" in class

and have

a party.

"Watch the birdie"



Having their fling, a group of boys from Mr. Smith's mechanical drawing class has a party.

"Who said we can't fly"



FIGHT TEAM FIGHT! Norwalk varsity cheerleaders Joanne Earl, Martha Motsch, Molly Crossen and Jackie Helsel give their all at a pep rally.

"Love lovers of the art"



Adding spirit to the pep meeting are David Price and Bob Mitchell of the German Band.

Far as the echoes May our praises ring.

We "sing the praises" of Norwalk High

by our actions.

Doing things that reflect well

upon our school,

representing our school

in competition with others,

and performing services

to our school and community

especially well,

all reflect praise

upon our school.

Those chosen to represent Norwalk High at Kiwanis meetings for the month of February are Jim Rogers and David Munson.



Martha Motsch, Jackie Helsel, Queen Ruth Earl, Molly Crossen, and last year's Queen Sandy Hendrickson add glamor on Homecoming night.



Ted Smith and Alan Robinson spin records on their Club 17 radio program over station WEOL Elyria.

Our blue is for the valor Of those in the fight;

"Those in the fight" --

not only our teams, out to win
with the support of the marching band
at every football game,
but also students

in their individual competitions --
whether for high magazine sales,
most words per minute in shorthand or typing,
or any of the other minor competitions
going on-

they must all learn
the rules of good sportsmanship
and it is part of the school's task
to teach them.

"If that mouse moves I'll scream"



A tense moment in the Elyria game as Allen Beach tries for that all-important basket.



"Well! How about that?"

Fighting for top position in the magazine sales contest, George Diehl checks his totals with Dick Heaston.



The marching band presents its program between halves of a football game.

Filled are our pages With golden deeds of right.

Our service extends

beyond the school proper.

Students represent their school

in competition with others,

and by doing well

further the standing of the school.

Almost everyone brings

white gifts at Christmas

or contributes to various charity drives

with time or money.



Representing various phases of the UN are Judy Carpenter, Janet Butch, Elsie Twitchell and Flossie Boyd.



Seniors who placed in Senior Scholarship test are Alan Angell, Ken Miller, Jim Rogers, Martha McDonald, Dave Munson and Alan Robinson.



The yearly custom of donating a gift of food to the Salvation Army at Christmas is observed.

So here's to Norwalk High School True to her past,

As at any school

there are many traditions

at Norwalk High --

events that appear

on the school calendar every year --

dates that are looked forward to

by the students and teachers.

It is hard for us to imagine

a year without

the Y-Teen Christmas decorations,

the athletic banquet,

the spring and fall plays,

the band and orchestra concerts,

the art exhibit

or any of the other events

which are carried forth

from year to year.



Norwalk High athletes prepare to elect the football captain as Mr. Grant Walls, Mr. James Ross, and Mr. Howard Hershey brief them on the Athletic Banquet.



Miss Madge Mossman finds that Christmas has come, as Y-Teen Vera Liedorff completes the decorating of her room.



Alan Robinson, Don Young III, Martha Motsch and Barb Diringier appear in a scene from "The Night of January 16th."

High bold her colors Long as time may last.

Senior Martha McDonald previews graduation day.



Those seniors remaining from the fourth grade class at Benedict School are: Front Row: Ronnie Keysor, Ronnie Baker, Alan Robinson; Second Row: Janna Stoutenburg, Liz Cissne; Third Row: Teacher, Miss Kathryn Maloney, John Schaecterle, Dave Munson, Dick Heaston, Jim Spalsbury, Dale McCreery; Fourth Row: Joe Murray, Stan Chapin.



We have grown up in school,

and some of us are ready

to leave Norwalk High

as alumni.

But this will always be

our alma mater.

Even though we leave,

the school will continue

as it has since 1861

when the first student was graduated.

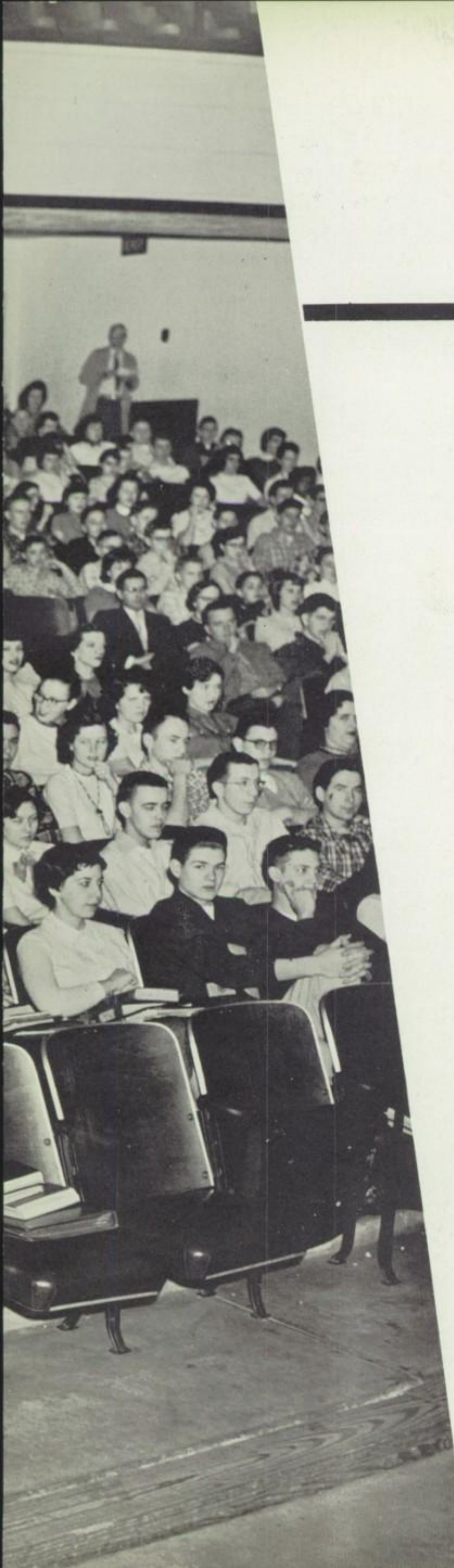
The Alma Mater will continue

to inspire Norwalk High students

as it has

in the past.





Hearts of Loyalty

The administration, faculty and student body

are symbolized by the phrase

"Hearts of Loyalty"

from the Alma Mater.

It is these hearts of loyalty

that make the memories students retain

when they have left school

the things "old grads" rehash -

these are the pages they will pore over later

and wonder "What ever happened to"

These are the classmates, the special friends,

the teachers, and

all the other people

who have helped them make of their high school days

what they have.



James H. McBride
Superintendent

Supt. McBride Completes Seventh Year at Norwalk

MR. JAMES H. McBRIDE, superintendent of Norwalk Public Schools, has completed his seventh year as leader of the school.

With the able assistance of the Board of Education, he has promoted many ideas beneficial to the school and thereby of aid to the community.

As superintendent, Mr. McBride represents Norwalk High School and its interests. As is stated in the school code, "What is best for most of the students and teachers is best for the school."

He received his Bachelor of Science degree from Muskingum College and his Master of Arts degree from the University of Colorado.



Mr. James McBride's work includes dictating letters that are to be typed and sent out by his secretary, Miss Elsie Miller.





Mr. James McBride congratulates James Rogers and Grant Walls Jr. for the football honors they received.



Superintendent J. H. McBride meets with Dr. G. F. Linn, president, Ernest H. Kohlmyer, J. N. Orebaugh, Dr. Robert S. Schillig, and Paul G. Wetzel, clerk, who serve on the Norwalk Board of Education.



James N. Ross
Principal

Prin. Ross Offers Helpful Assistance

MR. JAMES N. ROSS has completed his second year as principal of Norwalk High School.

His time and assistance were given to many students as well as to the faculty, and he has gained the respect and friendship of both.

A Bachelor of Science degree from the University of Akron and a Master of Arts degree from Western Reserve make him well qualified to hold this position.



In one of his many conferences, Mr. James Ross discusses the possibility of scholarships and careers with senior boys, Alan Angell and Ronald Freeman.



During his busy days, Mr. James Ross meets frequently with Mr. Lowell Ruggles to discuss enrollment and schedule problems for the school year.

MR. RUGGLES JOINS COLE STAFF

MR. LOWELL RUGGLES has finished his first year as principal of the seventh and eighth grade division of the high school. He has ably handled the problems of the pupils under him. Aside from this position, he taught a class in Ohio government.

He previously held the position of principal of Benedict School.



Lowell Ruggles
B.S. in Ed.
Ashland

SECRETARIES GIVE VALUABLE SERVICE

ABLE and cheerful service was given by Miss Janet Twaddle and Miss Elsie Miller as secretaries to Mr. James Ross and Mr. James H. McBride. Students met Miss Twaddle when getting absence slips and Miss Miller when obtaining working permits. Not pictured: Mary Hesselkus, Librarian.



Don't you dare cheat



Mr. Howard Wheeler examines the work of one of his English students.



"Porgy," a recent Broadway play, is the topic of conversation between Mr. Kendall Falke and wife of Mr. Charles King, guest soloist.



Kendall Falke
B. S., M. A.
Ohio State University



Howard Wheeler
B. S., in Ed.
Bowling Green State



Naomi Weibe
A. B.
Bluffton College



Donald Harness
B. S. in Ed.
Wilmington

Don Harness

English Offers Variety

TO be or not to be, that is NOT the question. The question is: Have the students learned anything in English this year?

There seems to be no doubt that they have been studying a wide variety of things.

While Mr. Kendall Falke's English classes were busy giving arguments for and against Henry David Thoreau, his journalism class was working on the school paper and the annual.

Mr. Howard Wheeler taught his seventh and eighth grade classes the fundamentals of grammar and literature.

The students of Mrs. Naomi Weibe's English classes were reading such classics as "The Ancient Mariner" and "Treasure Island."

Under the direction of Mr. Donald Harness, the speech class put on several plays, one of which was student written. An outgrowth of the class was the radio program, Club Seventeen, with disc jockeys, Ted Smith and Alan Robinson. It was heard every Saturday on Station WEOL, Elyria, from 11:00 to 11:30 a.m. Another outgrowth was a radio program, Teen-Age Record Party, which sports Joe Murray and Bill Cash, over WLEC, Sandusky, Saturday afternoons from 2:30 to 4:30.

Languages Present Challenges

TO many people, Latin may be considered to be a dead language, but not to the students of Miss Madge Mossman's Latin class. Here they learned the conjugation of the various verbs and, most important, how to understand the language.

Pupils of Mr. P. J. Garcia's classes went around speaking Spanish to all they met. With fellow classmates this worked out fine, but those who did not take the subject had just to nod in agreement to save embarrassment.



Madge C. Mossman
Ph. B.
Denison University



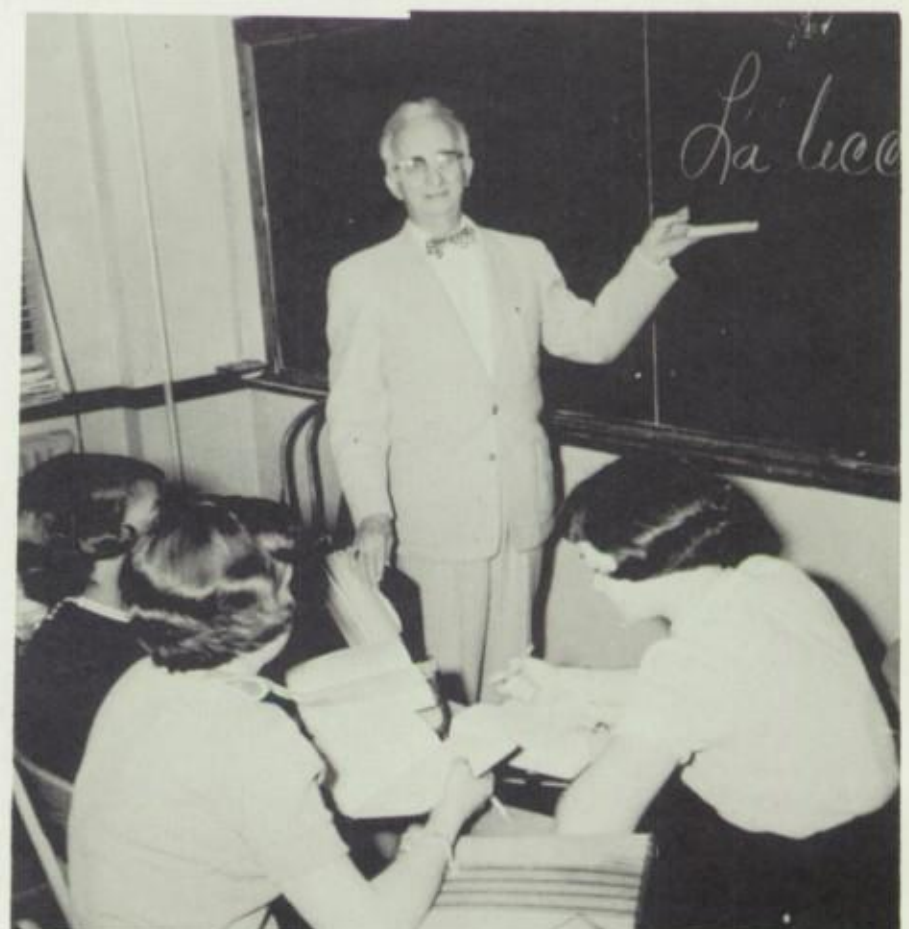
Charles Fadley points out the Roman ruins located in France to Peter White and Judy Carpenter in Latin class.



P. J. Garcia
B. Th., B. D.
Colgate University



Learning the proper use and details of radio is part of the fundamentals included in Mr. Harness's speech class, as shown by Stan Chapin and Alan Robinson.



Mr. P. J. Garcia pronounces and sounds out the Spanish words, La leccion para manana to Shirley Marion, Martha Motsch, and Mary Finch.

Maurice H. Fowler



Maurice Fowler
A. B.
Rio Grande

Science Promotes World Progress

WHILE Miss Ruth Bell's biology classes were busy dissecting earthworms and learning the bones of the body, her science classes spent their time studying the general science field.

Mr. Maurice Fowler's physics class conducted experiments to find out how much energy is needed to run up a flight of stairs. His chemistry class became well aware of the hazards of that class after a few of them became ill when some gas they were working with got out of hand.

Mr. Harry Shadle taught seventh and eighth graders science. In this class they learned about the scientific side of nature and life. One of their projects was to see how many types of leaves they could find and name.



Ruth Bell
A. B. Oberlin College
M. A. Wellesley College

"It's such pleasant work"



Irene Ferrell, Marge Gfell,
Charles Miller, and Ronnie
Morehouse dissect a fish in
biology class.



Harry S. Shadle
A. B. Mount Union
M. A. Western Reserve

Creating an electric spark in an experiment are Bob Mitchell, John Schauss, Alan Wickert, and Don Young.



Mathematics Improves The Mind

HIGHER mathematics was a subject of much interest to many high school students. It was also of interest to Mr. Burton Chandler who taught math. The classes included algebra, plane geometry and trigonometry.

Eighth graders received their knowledge in arithmetic from Mr. Isaiah Owen. He also taught a class in general mathematics for freshmen, which included a review of the arithmetic for the preceeding year.

The seventh grade classes were taught by Mrs. Blanche Zuercher. The course of study for this year was in solving story problems, working with fractions, and a brief preview of algebra.



Burton Chandler
B. S.
Denison University



Mrs. Blanche Zuercher explains the fundamentals of interest problems to seventh grade math students, Jerry Wagner and Henry Timman.



Blanche Zuercher
B. S.
College of Wooster



Two of Mr. Burton Chandler's students, Grant Walls, Jr. and John Zink, work on a problem of higher mathematics.



Isaiah Owen
A. B. Fairmont State
M. A. West Virginia

Social Studies Strengthen Democracy



C. N. Stevenson
B. A. Ohio Wesleyan
M. A. Ohio State

MR. C. N. STEVENSON shows double identity as teacher of both American history and American government. Round-table discussions concerning current events were held frequently in several classes.

When not coaching the Truckers, Mr. Grant Walls coached his world history classes throughout the year as they studied the civilizations from prehistoric to present time.

With Mr. T. R. Storer as their guide, seventh graders traveled the well-worn highways of our country's life from then to now.

"Don't you dare say that again"



Alan Robinson, Jim Spalsbury, Stan Chapin, and Jim Rogers discuss the national school problem in Mr. C. N. Stevenson's government class.



Grant Walls
A. B.
Indiana Normal

"So that's where we are"



The star representing the state of Ohio in the American flag is pointed out to Mr. T. R. Storer by boy scout Dennis Robbins, while Stanley Mills and Ronnie Coe watch.



T. R. Storer
B. S. in Ed.
Ashland College

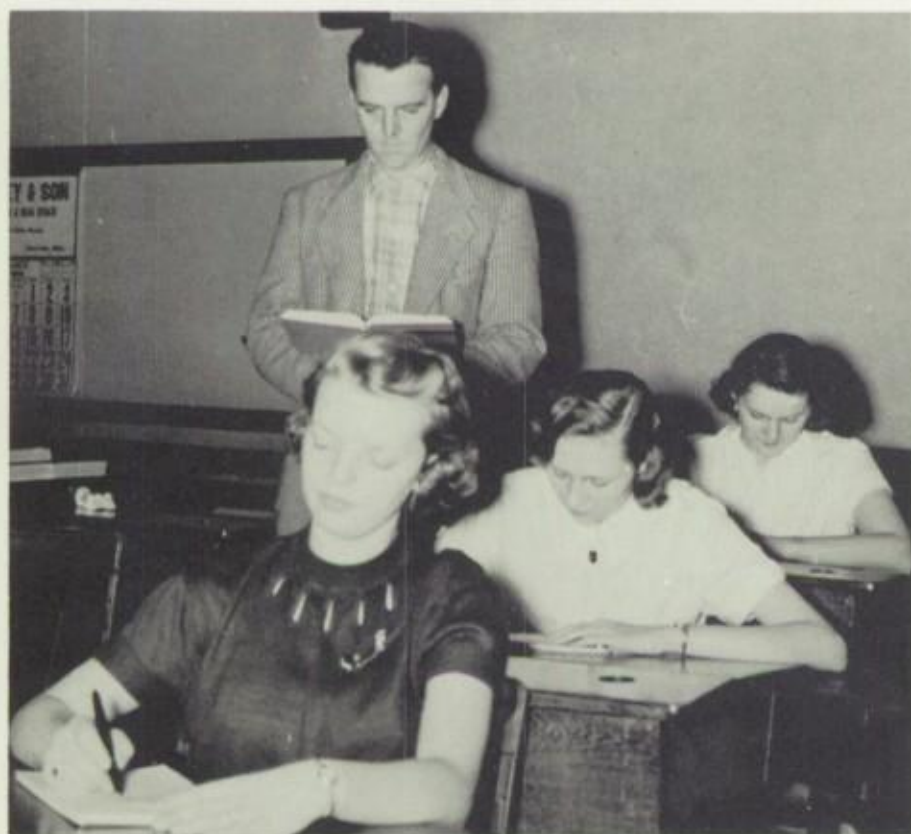
Commercial Studies Make Efficient Secretaries

ASSETS equal liabilities plus proprietorship. This statement was the by-word of Mr. Rex Lantz' bookkeeping classes. Students learned the principles of bookkeeping and accounting here. Other subjects that Mr. Lantz taught were first and second year shorthand, general business, and office practice.

Miss June Wilchek picked out a career of pecking when she decided to teach typewriting. She had classes of sophomores, juniors, and seniors. She also taught a class in general business.



June Wilchek
A. B.
Baldwin Wallace

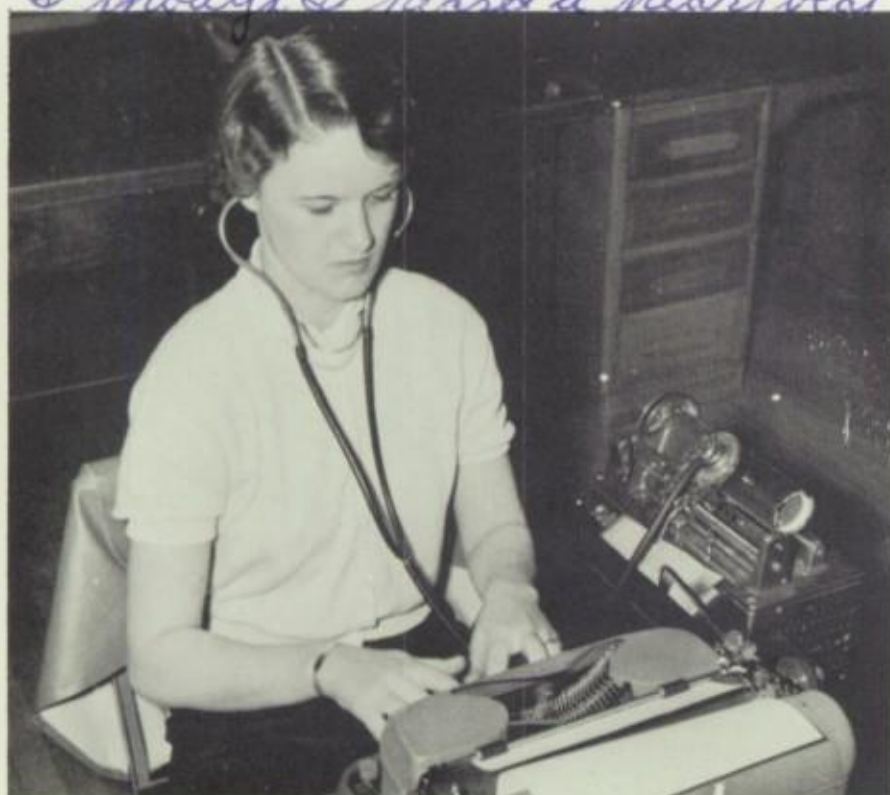


Dictating to future office workers, Barbara Cook, Pat Sellinger, and Dorlene Braker, is Mr. Rex Lantz.



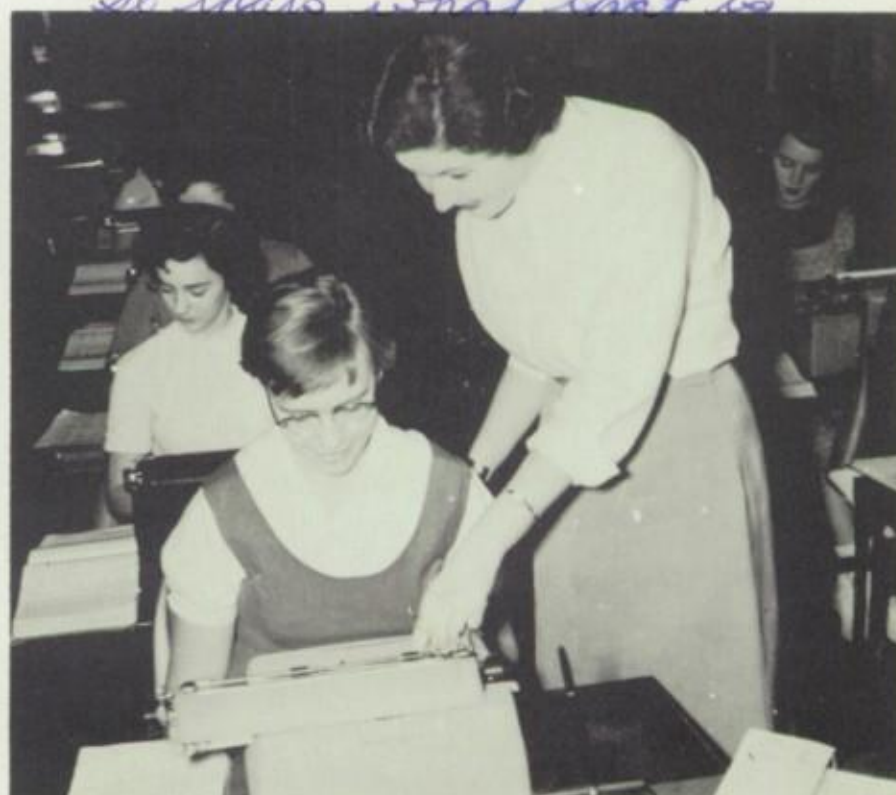
Rex Lantz
B. S. Ohio University
M. A. Wyoming

"I thought I heard a heartbeat"



Secretary-to-be Doris Worcester practices using the dictaphone in office-practice class.

"So that's what that is"



Through the advice of Miss June Wilchek, Sharon Gott is learning to type skillfully.



E. LaVerne Parks
A. B., M. A. Oberlin
M. A. Western Reserve



Nancy Carrick
A. M.
Heidelberg College

Home Economics Prepares Future Homemakers

"**A** STITCH in time saves nine" was a well-fitting statement for the junior high home economics classes.

Under the direction of Miss LaVerne Parks, the girls were taught homemaking habits.

Mrs. Nancy Carrick taught the senior high home economics classes. In these courses the girls learned the more advanced methods of sewing and cooking.

One project of this year was that of refinishing furniture.

Carol Downing smiles an approval of Eleanor Twitchell's cake.



Carol Hutchinson, Betty Hainline, and Flossie Boyd admire their successful baking job.



Under the supervision of Miss LaVerne Parks, Lois Blackert and Ma-linda Zink try their ability at the sewing machine.



Refinishing furniture is one of the projects of the senior home economics class taught by Mrs. Nancy Carrick.



H. E. Rolsten
B. S. Ohio University
M. A. Ohio State



Richard Vogt
B. S. in Ed.
Ohio University



S. Henry Smith
B. S.
Miami University

Industrial Arts Creates Skill

INDUSTRIAL arts classes for the seventh and eighth grade boys were under the direction of Mr. Richard Vogt. The class included shop and mechanical drawing.

Mr. Henry Smith's classes included mechanical drawing and wood shop. Chief products of the wood shop were cabinets, cedar chests, and small chests.

More cars were on the highways because of Mr. H. E. Rolsten's auto mechanics class. The students were allowed to work on their own cars.



A principle of auto mechanics is illustrated by Mr. H. E. Rolsten to Stan Chapin and Dave Munson.



Allen Beach displays a chest he completed in wood shop.



"Exact measurements are essential in any wood working project," says Mr. Henry Smith.

Physical Education Builds Strong Bodies



Howard Hershey
B. S.
Miami University

MR. HOWARD HERSHEY taught the ABC's of athletics to the boys of Norwalk High School. They were taught the principles of the various games and participated in such sports as volleyball, basketball, tumbling, and wrestling.

The girls of Norwalk High School were also taught the ABC's of athletics, only by Miss Marilyn Mellinger. They learned the rules of how to play such games as volleyball, basketball, badminton, and field hockey. Many of the girls played in games held at noon and received points toward GAA eligibility.



Marilyn Mellinger
B. S. in Ed.
Bowling Green

Knowing the correct way to pivot is an important rule in girls' basketball.



A technique of wrestling is demonstrated by Dave Miller and Jack George.



Mitchell Loudy is ready to spike a serve as the boys play a game of volleyball in a gym class.

Art and Music Produce Refinement

A is for Art taught by Mrs. Eva Harkness. Leathercraft in the junior high and enameling on copper in the senior high were main projects of the year.

B is for Band taught by Mr. R. P. Laycock. Among his classes were marching band, symphonic band, and orchestra.

C is for Chorus taught by Mr. Henry Gladigan. This included a junior high and a senior high chorus, which gave several concerts throughout the year.



LaWana Swartz receives a helping hand on her lesson from Mr. R. P. Laycock.



One of the posters made by the art class gets the admiration of Nancy Wilcox.



Charcoal portraits are an important project of the art class as shown by Barbara Bess, Janna Stoutenburg, and Evelyn Baker.



Eva Harkness
B. S. Art Ed.
Miami University



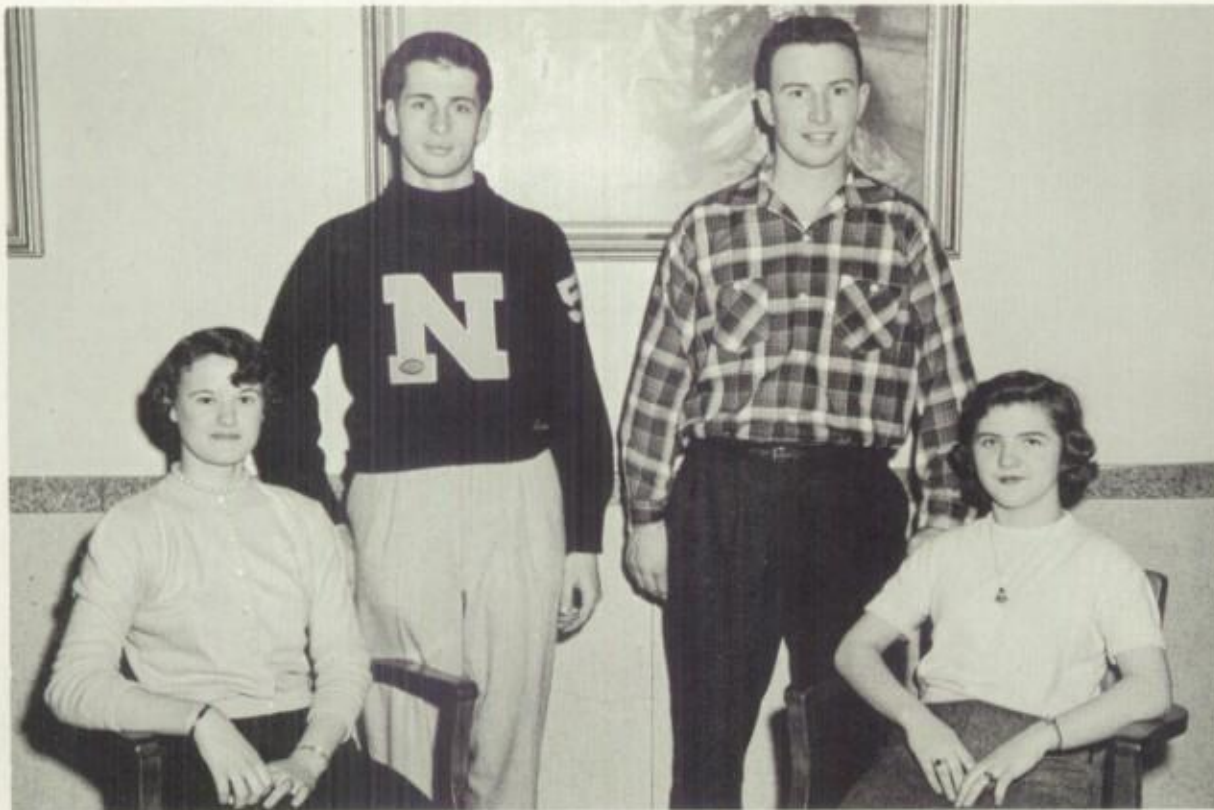
Henry Gladigan
B. S. Kent State
M. A. Western Reserve



R. P. Laycock
B. S. Cincinnati
M. A. Colorado

Seniors Excelled in Many Ways

IN all activities the officers of the senior class set the pace. As a group, they took care of all graduation activities and planned the senior trip to New York City. As individuals, they exerted an active influence in many fields - scholarship, sports, and clubs. Where they were unable to assume the leadership, they offered their support to those who seemed better qualified.



Senior class officers are Doris Worcester, secretary; Dominic Caprara, president; Stan Chapin, vice-president; and Alice Shantz, treasurer.

DONNA JEAN ALLEN

Girls' Intramurals 10-12; FTA 9-12; Style Show 9-12.

ALAN SCOTT ANGELL JR.

Football 8, 12; Basketball 7-12; Tennis 9-12; Marching Band 10; Hi-Y 9-12; District Scholarship Tests 10; Chorus 7, 8, 11, 12; Jr.-Sr. Plays 11, 12; National Honor Society 11, 12.

RONALD GENE BAKER

Football 9; Hi-Y 9-11; Safety Patrol 7, 8; Jr.-Sr. Plays 11, 12.

GENE ALFRED BALLARD

Football 10; Basketball 7, 8; Track 9, 12; Marching Band 8, 9; Orchestra 9; Hi-Y 10-12; Chorus 10-12; Safety Patrol 8; Jr.-Sr. Play 11.

ALLEN RUSSELL BEACH

Football 7-12; Basketball 7-12; Track 9, 11, 12; Tennis 11, 12; Golf 10; Safety Patrol 8.



DONNA ALLEN



ALAN ANGELL



RONNIE BAKER



GENE BALLARD



ALLEN BEACH



ANITA BEIGHTOL



BOB BETSCHMAN



DORLENE BRAKER



DOMINIC CAPRARA



DON CARLEY



STAN CHAPIN



LIZ CISSNE



BARBARA COOK



JOHN COPSEY



MOLLY CROSSEN

ANITA MAY BEIGHTOL

Marching Band 8-12; Orchestra 8-12; Pep Band 10-12; Symphonic Band 8-12.

ROBERT RAY BETSCHMAN

DORLENE ANN BRAKER

Girls' Intramurals 9-12; Michigan State 11; GAA 10-12; Style Show 7, 8.

DOMINIC MICHAEL CAPRARA

Football 10-12; Basketball Manager 10; Librarian 9-12; Signal Staff 11, 12; Student Council 11; Class Officer 7, 8, 11, 12; District Scholarship Tests 10.

DONALD CARLEY

Track 9; Marching Band 8.

STANLEY RAYMOND CHAPIN

Football 7-12; Basketball 7-10; Track 9-12; Michigan State Cheerleader 11; Hi-Y 9-12; Signal Staff 7, 8; Student Council 10; Class Officer 8, 11, 12; District Scholarship

Tests 11; Projector Club 7-12; Safety Patrol 7, 8; Stage Crew 10.

ELIZABETH ANNE CISSNE

Girls' Intramurals 9-12; Ohio State 10, 11; Marching Band 8-12; Orchestra 8-12; Pep Band 12; Symphonic Band 8-12; Y-Teens 9-12; GAA 10-12; Signal Staff 7, 8, 12; Style Show 7, 8; Chorus 11.

BARBARA RUTH COOK

Girls' Intramurals 10-12; Y-Teens 11, 12; GAA 10, 12; District Scholarship Tests 11; Chorus 10-12; Style Show 12.

JOHN MELVIN COPSEY

Chorus 8-10; Safety Patrol 7.

MOLLY STOCKDALE CROSSEN

Girls' Intramurals 9-12; Michigan State 11; Varsity Cheerleader 12; Reserve Cheerleader 9, 10; Y-Teens 9-11; GAA 10-12; FTA 12; Class Officer 8, 9; Chorus 7-12; Jr.-Sr. Play 11.



MARY CROSSER



CAROL DOWNING



RUTH EARL



KATHY FINCH



JOHN FRANCISCO



RONNIE FREEMAN



MARGE GFELL



LeROY GIFFORD



HARRY GRIFFIN



CAROL HAMISFAR

MARY ANN CROSSER

Y-Teens 10-12; Signal Staff 12; District Scholarship Tests 12; Chorus 7-12.

CAROL ANNE DOWNING

Y-Teens 9, 10; Truckerettes 10-12; Style Show 8, 10-12; Chorus 7-9; Safety Patrol 7, 8.

RUTH ANNE EARL

Girls' Intramurals 9-12; Marching Band 8-12; Orchestra 11, 12; Pep Band 11, 12; Symphonic Band 8-12; Class Officer 11; Homecoming Queen 12.

KATHRYN NANCY FINCH

Marching Band 8-11; Pep Band 10, 11; Symphonic Band 8-11; Y-Teens 9-12; Librarian 11, 12; Signal Staff 12; Style Show 8.

WILLIAM JOHN FRANCISCO

Football 10-12; Basketball 8-12; Track 9-12.

RONALD HAROLD FREEMAN

Hi-Y 9-12; District Scholarship Tests 9, 11.

MARJORIE ANN GFELL

Girls' Intramurals 9-12; Ohio State Team 10-12; Y-Teens 9-12; GAA 10-12; Truckerettes 9, 10; Style Show 9, 10; Chorus 9-11; Jr.-Sr. Plays 12.

LEROEY STACEY GIFFORD

Marching Band 8, 9.

HARRY E. GRIFFIN

Football 10, 11; Marching Band 7-10; Orchestra 8-10; Pep Band 8-10; Symphonic Band 7-10; German Band 8-10; Projector Club 8-12.

CAROL ANN HAMISFAR

Girls' Intramurals 10-12; GAA 12; Truckerettes 10-11; Librarian 12; Style Show 10-12; Chorus 10-12.



Waiting for everyone to get seated, the seniors relax and anticipate the coming assembly.



Seniors in the home-ec classes enjoy a meal they planned and prepared.

Seniors Excelled in Many Ways

DURING their last hectic and busy year the seniors always found time to congregate frequently for some sort of activity. Whether they took their usual seats in a formal assembly being conducted by some of their members, or whether they gathered informally around the table to enjoy one of the tasty meals prepared by the advanced home economics class, the seniors enjoyed the idea of getting together.

DONALD LOYD HAMISFAR

JAMES EDWARD HEIL

RICHARD MORRIS HEASTON

GEORGE MICHAEL HIGGINS

Football 7-12; Basketball 7-12; Track 9, 10, 12; Tennis 11, 12; Hi-Y 9-12; Librarian 11; Signal Staff 12; Student Council 9, 11, 12; Class Officer 8, 10; Chorus 8; Safety Patrol 7; Jr.-Sr. Plays 11, 12.

HELEN ELIZABETH HITE
Style Show 9-12.



DON HAMISFAR



DICK HEASTON



JIM HEIL



GEORGE HIGGINS



HELEN HITE

"This is what happens when you go through a low tunnel"



Working on his customized car is one of Dave Munson's foremost interests.



Janna Stoutenburg poses by the U. N. poster that she helped make.

Seniors Excelled in Many Ways

VARIOUS seniors with particular interests and talents pursued their own hobbies. Sometimes these were merely for their own satisfaction; often they proved beneficial to many groups within the school. Whatever the purpose, each of them felt a sense of pride in his achievement and was pleased with whatever recognition he gained from it.

HERALD ALBY HOWELL JR.

Football 7, 8, 10, 11, 12; Basketball 7, 8; Track 9; Class Officer 8.

SHARON LYN HUMMEL

GAA 12; Chorus 12; Y-Teens 9-12.

ESTHER MARIE KATONAK

Girls' Intramurals 9; Y-Teens 11, 12; Truckerettes 9, 10; Signal Staff 12; Style Show 9-11; Chorus 11.

RONALD DEAN KEYSOR

Golf 9-11; Signal Staff 12; Chorus 8.

EDWIN LANE KINNARD



HERALD HOWELL



SHARON HUMMEL



ESTHER KATONAK



RONALD KEYSOR



ED KINNARD



PAT KLEDIS



LORETTA KRAMER



DALE McCREERY



MARTHA McDONALD



TED McGINN



DAVID MILLER



KENNY MILLER



MARILYN MILLER



DON MILLIS



RONNIE MOREHOUSE

PATRICIA ANN KLEDIS

Y-Teens 10-12; Style Show 7-10.

LORETTA MAE KRAMER

Truckerettes 11, 12; Style Show 9-12.

DALE CARMi McCREERY

Track 11; Hi-Y 11, 12; Chorus 8; Safety Patrol 8.

MARY MARTHA McDONALD

Girls' Intramurals 9-12; Y-Teens 9-11; Y-Teen President 12; GAA 10-12; Librarian 12; Signal Staff 12; District Scholarship Tests 9-11; National Honor Society 11, 12.

TED LEON McGINN

DAVID LAWRENCE MILLER

KENNETH EUGENE MILLER

Transferred from Townsend-Wakeman 1954; Football 10-12; Basketball 10-12; Track 10-12; Hi-Y 10-12, District Scholarship Tests 10-12; Style Show 11.

MARILYN MARIE MILLER

Girls' Intramurals 9-12; Y-Teens 9-12; GAA 10-12; Truckerettes 9, 10; Librarian 11, 12; Style Show 7-10; Chorus 7-12.

DONALD EUGENE MILLIS

RONALD ARED MOREHOUSE

Football 8, 12; Manager 9; Hi-Y 12; Safety Patrol 7, 8.



JACK MOSS



DAVE MUNSON



JOE MURRAY



STANLEY OBRENOVICH



DICK PAPLINSKI



CORA PIPER



DARLENE PRESSLEY



BILL RARICK



GRACE REAMER



LINDA RICKARD

JACK ALLEN MOSS

Marching Band 10-12; Pep Band 11; Symphonic Band 10-12.

DAVID GAIL MUNSON

Football 8-12; Basketball 9; Track 9-12; Hi-Y 9-12; Class Officer 9, 10; District Scholarship Tests 9; Chorus 8, 11; Jr.-Sr. Plays 12.

JOSEPH NORMAN MURRAY

Football 8-12; Basketball 7-10; Track 9, 10; Ohio State Cheerleader 11; Hi-Y 9-12; Signal Staff 12; Chorus 7, 8; Safety Patrol 7, 8.

STANLEY RICHARD OBRENOVICH

Basketball 11, 12; Safety Patrol 7, 8.

RICHARD JOHN PAPLINSKI

Football 8-12; Basketball 10-12; Track 9, 10; Hi-Y 9-12;

Librarian 12; Signal Staff 12; Class Officer 9; Chorus 7-10; Safety Patrol 7, 8; Jr.-Sr. Plays 12.

CORA GRACE PIPER

Girls' Intramurals 10-12; Style Show 10; Chorus 9, 11.

DARLENE SANDRA PRESSLEY

Girls' Intramurals 10; Y-Teens 9, 12; GAA 12; Truckerettes 9-11; Style Show 7-11; Chorus 7, 8, 10, 12.

WILLIAM LESLIE RARICK

Chorus 7, 8; Safety Patrol 7, 8.

GRACE IRENE REAMER

Girls' Intramurals 9, 11; Signal Staff 11.

LINDA SUE RICKARD

Y-Teens 9, 10; District Scholarship Tests 10; Chorus 7, 9-12.

"We're not all nuts"



Skip Howell, Jim Rogers, Stan Chapin and Joe Murray play as linemen in their senior year.



A Chinese midget is portrayed by Jim Roger in an assembly. The hands belong to Stan Chapin.

Seniors Excelled in Many Ways

BOTH in work and in play the seniors took a prominent part. Even before school officially began, they began re-
porting to the practice field to begin conditioning their muscles for football. They followed through with basketball
and track.

But play sometimes took a lighter vein. In the various dramatic productions the seniors made their marks as
comedians and serious actors.

ALAN GRANT ROBINSON

Michigan State Cheerleader 10, 11; Orchestra 8-11; Hi-Y
9-12; Student Council 7, 8, 10, 11, 12; District Scholarship
Tests 9-11; Jr.-Sr. Plays 11, 12; National Honor Society 11, 12.

JOHN DARYL SCHAECHTERLE

CARL DALE SEARLS

JAMES WILSON ROGERS

Football 8-12; Basketball 8-12; Track 9; Tennis 10-12;
Michigan State Cheerleader 10; Hi-Y 9-12; Class Officer
10; District Scholarship Tests 9-11; Jr.-Sr. Play 12.

JAMES RUSSELL SEILING

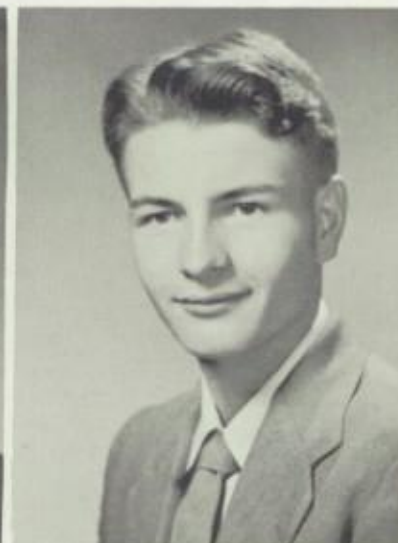
Safety Patrol 7, 8.



ALAN ROBINSON



JIM ROGERS



JOHN SCHAECHTERLE



DALE SEARLS



JIM SEILING



White Christmas gifts are presented to Lieutenant Jean Manhollan of the Salvation Army by Student Council President, Alan Robinson.

Seniors Excelled in Many Ways

MANY times the role that the seniors played went beyond the boundaries of the school and the school's project became a part of the community's activity.

The plays presented, the games won, the scholarships achieved were success in which the people of Norwalk shared. They also benefited from the Community Chest and Red Cross drives and the annual White Christmas offering.

PATRICIA ANN SELLINGER

Girls' Intramurals 10, 11; Y-Teens 9, 11, 12; Signal Staff 12; District Scholarship Tests 9, 12; Style Show 7, 8; Chorus 7, 8; National Honor Society 11, 12.

ALICE VALENTINE SHANTZ

Girls' Intramurals 9-12; Ohio State Cheerleader 11; Reserve Cheerleader 9; Y-Teens 9-12; GAA 10-12; GAA President 12; Signal Staff 11, 12; Class Officer 12; District Scholarship Tests 10; Chorus 9, 10; Projector Club 9-12; Jr.-Sr. Plays 11, 12.

RAY CHARLES SMITH

Transferred from Marysville High School, Marysville, Ohio, 1955.

TED OWEN SMITH

Football Manager 9; Basketball 10; Track 9, 10, 12; Student Announcer 10-12; Hi-Y 12; Signal Staff 12; Chorus 9; Stage Crew 11.

DEANNA KATHERINE SMOLINSKI

Girls' Intramurals 9-12; Reserve Cheerleader 9, 10; Majorettes 10-12; Marching Band 7-12; Orchestra 8-12; Symphonic Band 8-12; Y-Teens 9-11; GAA 10-12; Style Show 7, 8, 11.



PAT SELLINGER



ALICE SHANTZ



RAY SMITH



TED SMITH



DEANNA SMILINSKI



PAT SOUSLIN



JIM SPALSBURY



JANNA STOUTENBURG



JACK TONEY



PAT WIGGINS



DORIS WORCESTER



BOB WRIGHT



VIRGINIA ZUREICH

PATRICIA ANN SOUSLIN

Girls' Intramurals 11; F.T.A. 10-12; District Scholarship Tests 11; Style Show 9-12.

JAMES ARTHUR SPALSBURY

Football 7-12; Basketball 7-9; Track 9, 10, 12; Hi-Y 9-12; Librarian 10-12; Chorus 7-9, 12; Projector Club 7-12; Jr.-Sr. Plays 11, 12.

JANNA LOU STOUTENBURG

Y-Teens 9-12; Signal Staff 7, 12; Class Officer 11; District Scholarship Tests 9-11; Style Show 7, 8; Chorus 7, 9, 10, 11.

JACKIE DEAN TONEY

PATRICIA WIGGINS

Style Show 10; Chorus 10-12; Jr.-Sr. Plays 11.

DORIS IRENE WORCESTER

Girls' Intramurals 9-12; GAA 12; Truckerettes 10; Student Council 10, 12; Class Officer 10, 12; Style Show 9-12; Librarian 10-12.

ROBERT EUGENE WRIGHT

Projector Club 7-12; Football 8; Basketball 10.

VIRGINIA MARGARET ZUREICH

Girls' Intramurals 9, 10, 12; Y-Teens 9; Truckerettes 9; Style Show 9, 10, 12; Chorus 9, 12.

Juniors Are Busy People



Don Zureich, secretary; Shirley Marion, vice president; Jackie Helsel, president; and Eleanor Twitchell, treasurer; confer on plans for a class meeting.

AMONG the many class activities the juniors were led by their officers in business, fun, and good deeds. They enjoy the prospects of being seniors next year.



JUNE
AGIN



ELIZABETH
BAKER



LARRY
BECKER



CAROL
BISHMAN



MARY
BOLDING



FLOSSIE
BOYD



WILLIAM
CASH



HARVEY
CARRASCO



JIM
CHAPMAN



BOB
COLISH



MIKE
CRONK



DAVID
DAMASKA



LORETTA
DANN



GEORGE
DIEHL



BARBARA
DIRINGER



JOANNE
EARL



MARY
FINCH



MARGE
FOX



PAT
FRANKS



HERB
GALLUP



ELISSA
GILHOUSEN



EDSON
GOODRICH



SONYA
GREGORY



BARBARA
HAINLINE



BETTY
HAINLINE

JACKIE
HELSEL

DONNA
HIGGINS

DAVID
HINCKLEY

NANCY
HIXON

NED
HOELZER

JUANITA
HOWEY

BERYL
HUNTER

"I better win, or else"



Don Young III and Marge Fox hand in the final drafts of their essays for the American Legion essay contest in which they won the top honors.

"I'm only serious"



George Diehl practices the organ for the musical effects in the fall play.



JUDY
HUTCHINS

NANCY
HUTCHINSON

CAROLANN
HUTCHISON

JAMES
JOHNSON

RAY
JOHNSON

KATHERINE
KATONAK

VIVIAN
KEARNEY

JOHN
KEMMING



LEONARD
KETTEL

SONDRA
KLAVUHN

JUDY
KLEDIS

JACK
KNOLL

GARY
LANG

JOAN
LAWRENCE

ROBERT
LONEY

HERMAN
LORCHER



MITCHELL
LOUDY



SHIRLEY
MARION



PHIL
MAY



OLIVE
McKINNEY



PAM
METZGER



JOYCE
MEYER



FOREST
MIDDAUGH



MONNIE
MILLER



Jackie Helsel, Molly Crossen, and Joanne Earl hurry to a pep assembly.

Juniors Are Busy People

AS cheerleaders they plan for pep meetings to cheer the Truckers on to victories and get the student body behind their team.



BOB
MITCHELL



BRUCE
MOORE



MARTHA
MOTSCH



ANITA
MURRAY



PHILLIP
OGLESBY



NANCY
OLSON



WILLIAM
OMMERT



JEANNE
PECKHAM



LOUIS
PENFIELD



DAVE
PRICE



VONNIE
REED



CYNTHIA
REVITZER



NANCY
RICE



CAROL
ROGERS



JOHN
SCHAUSS



MARY ANNE
SCHEID



BARBARA
SCHLEGELMELCH



IMOGENE
SMITH



RONALD
SPRINGER



ROSEMARY
STOCKWELL



RONALD
STRONG



NANCY
THORNTON



MARY
TIMMAN



SANDRA
TINKER

PENNY
TOSSELL

WESLEY
TUTCHINGS

ELEANOR
TWITCHELL

GRANT
WALLS, JR.

ROBERT
WARD

ALAN
WICKERT

TONY
WIGGINS



ROBERT
WILSON

JERRY
WOLFORD

RUSSELL
WORCESTER

DON
YOUNG

JOHN
ZINK

DON
ZUREICH

Not pictured: Rolland Baker, Darlene Perkins.

Donald Jay Bishman
December 27, 1939 - September 25, 1955



Mary Finch and Linda Watts help their Y-Teens club decorate the school for the holiday season.



As FTA members, David Damaska, Bruce Moore, and Wesley Tutchings learn about education.

AS juniors they joined clubs and helped to promote friendships and civic interest.



The sophomore all boy cabinet includes Ernie Kohlmyer, vice-president; Floyd Boyd, secretary; Jim Ross, president; and Dave Thomas, treasurer.

Sophomores Have Many Interests

TO most of the sophomores school means a place and a time to improve themselves through work and study. Nevertheless, they still find time to join clubs and assume leadership with plenty of time left for just plain fun.



WANDEL
ADKINS



PETAL
ANDERSON



HELEN
ANGELAS



JERRY
ARCHIBALD



GRACE ANN
AUSTIN



ROBERT
BAKER



EDWARD
BARKER



DEBBY
BATTLES



DANNY
BECK



PAUL
BECK



BARBARA
BESS



BARBARA
BOYD



FLOYD
BOYD



MILDRED
BRAMHILL



MARY
BROPHY



JANET
BUTCH



MARTHA
CARLEY



JOAN
CHAPIN



MARCELLA
CHARVILLE



REX
CLAY



GARY
CLELAND



CAROL
CRAWFORD



JACK
CROW



ARCHIE
CUNNINGHAM



ERIKA
DOUGHTY

JOHN
ENDERS

KATHERINE
FESSENDEN

WILLIAM
GEORGE

RONALD
GOODSITE

SHARON
GOTT

HUNTZ
GREGORY

PAULINE
GRIFFIN

ALTHOUGH sophomores take life fairly seriously, they stand out often as people who enjoy having fun. They are often seen gathered in small groups, laughing and jabbering all at once. A few engage in horse-play, and every now and then one of them can be caught alone with a member of the opposite sex.

"Hey! What about me"



Bob Baker escorts Sandra Tinker and Nancy Rice down the front steps and discusses a busy day.



MARIE
GROSSWILER

ROGER
HAMISFAR

RUTH
HARTMAN

JUDY
HEPP

CAROL
HEYMAN

TOM
HUTTON

MARTHA
JAMESON

JOANNE
KAISER



RAYMOND
KETTEL

GEORGE
KING

DIANE
KINNARD

ERNIE
KOHLMYER

AUDREY
KRAMER

FRANK
KRAMER

DORIS
KUBIN

KAY
KUGEL



ALLEN
LEADBETTER



CAROLYN
LEDERER



VERA
LIEDORFF



CAROL
LINDER



SARAH
LINN



DELORES
LOHMAN



CARL
LUND



THOMAS
MARCH

Sophomores Have Many Interests

SOPHOMORES also begin to find a place for themselves in the school system. Many of them perform special services for the school, such as serving as librarians or running the movie projector, working at concession stands at the games or helping decorate the school for the Christmas season.



While assisting in the library, Joan Chapin does a homework assignment.



JUDY
MARSHMAN



SUSAN
MARTIN



LARRY
MASON



DONNA
McCRILLIS



JANET
MESENBURG



RICHARD
METZGER



CHARLES
MILLER



JOYCE
MILLER



DARL
MUSHETT



PAUL
NEASE



JOAN
O'DELL



IRVIN
OGLESBY



NORMAN
OLSON



GLADYS
PALM



CHARLES
PENWELL



JOHN
PHILLIPS



JUDY
PIERCE



STEVE
PLEASNICK



GERALDINE
RAVIT



CALVIN
RENNECKAR



LEROY
RINGLE



MARLENE
RINGLE



WENDELL
ROBINSON



JAMES
ROSS



RICHARD
SCHLEGELMILCH

DARLINE
SCHOENEGGE

DEANNA
SCOTT

LORRAINE
SHANTZ

CAROL
SHELLEY

MARY
SHUTTS

DAVID
SITTERLY

SONDRA
SMITH



DOLORES
SMOLINSKI

JoANNE
SNYDER

DAVID
SOMMERS

ROBERT
SOMMERS

KATHLEEN
STANTON

VERA
STROHMEIER

DUANE
STUTZMAN

DAVE
THOMAS

SOPHOMORES often exert influence outside the school. They are willing workers for house-to-house solicitations for charity organizations. In this year's magazine campaign to raise funds for the school publications, their members ranked high as salesmen.



Not pictured: Larry Coon, Irene Ferrell, William Hirbe.

Zippy is held by Mary Shutts as one of her awards for being second high salesman in the magazine campaign.



TOM
TIMMAN

CLIFFORD
TRAUTMAN

ELSIE
TWITCHELL

LINDA
USSELTON

JOY
VAUGHAN

RICHARD
VOGT

BARBARA
WAHL

JOAN
WELLS



TOM
WESTRICK

STEVE
WHITE

BARBARA
WICKERT

NANCY
WILCOX

SHIRLEY
WITTER

ROLLAND
WOODSITE

PAM
YOUNG

CONNIE
ZEITER



JAMES
ADELMAN



JERRY
ALBRITTON



BEVERLY
ALLEN



RICHARD
ALLESHOUSE



CHRISTOPHER
ANGELL



JOHN
ARNETT



DAVID
ASMUS



JOANNE
BAKER



Freshmen Are Growing Up

AS the freshmen gain entrance into senior high activities, they realize the importance of being grown-up.

Taking on the responsibilities of the class are its officers: Cynda Haynes, treasurer; Judy Cunningham, secretary; Susanne Smith, vice-president; and Duane Ringle, president.



EVELYN
BAKER



SANDRA
BATES



MARGARET
BATTLE



DALE
BEACH



LARRY
BECK



JUDY
BISHMAN



ROBERT
BLAUVELT



JUDY
BOEPPLE



RICHARD
BOWERS



CARLA
BRAKER



DAVID
BRAMHILL



RAYMOND
BURKETT



MARY
CARLEY



JUDY
CARPENTER



LARRY
CHAFFEE



JOHN
CHAPMAN



JUDY
CLAPP



MARJORIE
COLISH



SANDRA
CONNERTON



CHALMER
COOK



BEVERLY
COY



SUE
CROSSEN



CAROL
CROSSER



MAROLYNN
CROUCH



JUDY
CUNNINGHAM

JOHN
DANN

GEORGE
DeZELAR

CRAIG
DIETERICH

ROBERT
DIETERICH

DELLA
DOWNING

JAMES
DUSKIN

NANCY
EARLE



JERRY
EMMONS

GEORGIE
EVERMAN

CHUCK
FADLEY

CLARANN
FINCH

ROBERT
FOWLER

JOAN
FRANKS

WALTER
GALLOWAY

LOUISE
GORMAN

THE social activities during the year provide new acquaintances and lasting friendships.

Virginia Naszodian, Sue Crossen, Sharee Roscoe, Judy Cunningham, and Carol Crosser enjoy refreshments after club meeting.



LORNA MAE
GREGORY

BONITA
GRINOLD

MARILYN
HARGRAVES

LeROY
HARTSOCK

PATRICIA
HAYES

CINDY
HAYNES

WALTER
HEALD

TED
HEITSCHÉ



RICHARD
HEYL

YVONNE
HINCKLEY

PATRICIA
HOWELL

RICHARD
INGERSOLL

NOEL
KAECH

LORRAINE
KATONAK

MYRNA
KISTEMAKER

SONDRA
KNOLL



JOHN
KRISHA



ROBERT
LANDENBERG



MARGARET
LEWIS



VERN
LIEDORFF



JUDY
LINDER



MARILYN
LINDER



MARTHA
LOCKE



JANET
LORCHER



Freshmen Are Growing Up

LA WANA SWARTZ, Ellen Rickard, Elsie Twitchell, and Carol Crosser were recognized as being grownup enough to represent the school as reserve cheerleaders.



ANNE
LOWE



PAUL
LUND



JOHN
MARCUM



RAY
MARETT



VELMA
MARETT



GEORGE
MARSH



ETHEL
MARTIN



WAYNE
McCOY



RONALD
McCREERY



BRUCE
McCRILLIS



CAROL
MILLER



MARILYN
MILLER



RICHARD
MILLER



JUDY
MILLS



HERB
MOSCRIP



LYNN
MUSHETT



VIRGINIA
NASZODIAN



KAREN
NIELSEN



TOM
OSBORN



NORBERT
PELHAM



LeROY
PERKINS



JOSEPH
RAVIT



PENNY
REES



MIKE
RICE

ELLEN
RICKARD

JAMES
RICKLEY

DUANE
RINGLE

GRETCHEN
RITCHEY

SHAREE
ROSCOE

JUDY
RYERSON

DAVID
SCHNITZLER



RICHARD
SEELY

PATRICIA
SEIFERT

COLETTA
SELLINGER

CHARLES
SERVICE

RONSON
SHIPLEY

JOHN
SHORT

CLAUDIA
SHOWERS

SONDRA
SKINNER

Not pictured: Arthur Boyles, Sandra Hanville, Susanne Smith,
Gene Ferrell, Connie Hosford, Shelby Poole, Charles Wheaton.



ALFRED
SMITH

JAMES
SMITH

JUDY
SMITH

ELIZABETH
SMYTHE

JERRY
SPENCER

TOM
STANTON

LARRY
STRICKLING

LaWANA
SWARTZ



YVONNE
TONEY

TOM
TUCKER

AYRIS
TYRIS

LINDA
UPPER

DICK
VAN HENTENRYCK

ANDRA
VINSE

JOHN
WALEK

LINDA
WATTS



WILLIAM
WHALEY

PETER
WHITE

DAVID
WILLIAMS

JAMES
WOLFORD

SYLVIA
WOODSIDE

PATRICIA
WORCESTER

PATRICIA
YOUNG



RONALD
ALLAN



THOMAS
ALLEN



PAUL
ASMUS



DONALD
BARKER



LEE
BERKEY



LOIS
BLACKERT



ALICE
BOWLIN



LORETHA
BOYD



Eighth Graders Get Into the Swing of Things

THE officers of the eighth grade lead their class toward future accomplishments in senior high. The eighth grade officers this year were: Charles Carpenter, secretary; Linda McLaughlin, vice-president; Barbara Saladin, treasurer; Dale Trautman, president.



JANET
BRINKER



RUSSELL
BROOKER



RUTH
BROWN



CLIFFORD
BURKETT



JOHN
BUSH



JIMMY
CALDWELL



CHARLES
CARPENTER



LORAIN
CARTER



JAMES
CASE



DONNA
CHAFFEE



SANDRA
CHAFFEE



JERRY
CHRISTOPHER



TOM
CHURCHILL



TOMMY
CONNERTON



JOYCE
CONNER



SANDRA
COVELL



VIRGINIA
CROW



ROBERT
CUNNINGHAM



KENNY
DAILEY



JOYCE
DAMASKA



DONALD
DEEBLE



CAROL
DOUGHTY



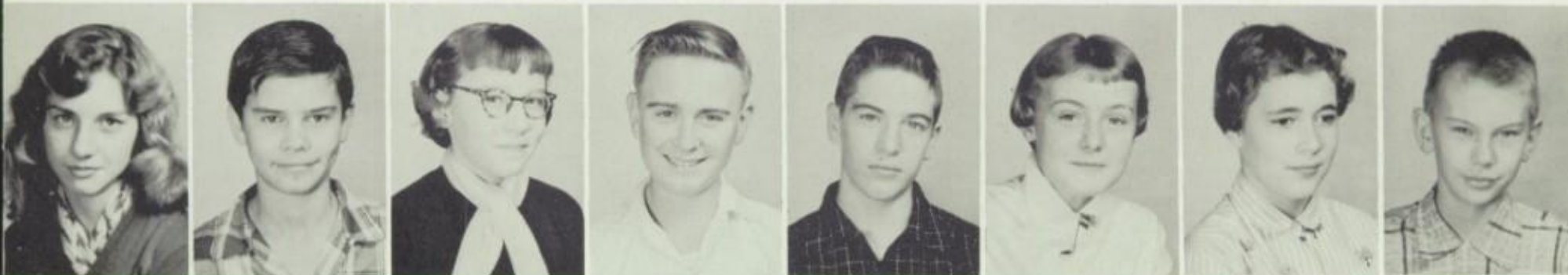
MARGA
EBELS



JUDY
ENDSLEY



MARY
ESLINGER SHIRLEY
FACTOR MARILYN
FINCH MARCUS
FOWLER CLARA
FRANCISCO CHARLES
GELSANLITER JACK
GEORGE ROBERTA
GILSON



BEVERLY
GOODSITE LYNN
GOODSITE MARY JANE
GOUGH DONALD
HAINLINE RICHARD
HANVILLE LINDA
HART JANET
HEASTON WILLIAM
HOOD

PROJECTOR Club is a service to the school. Being a member of the Projector Club is giving a service which is continued throughout the school years. A group which ran the projector for the Cole elementary classes this year were: Tom Price, Charles Russakov, Jim Horning, and Tom Allen.



JAMES
HORNING CYNTHIA
JAMESON JOHN
KAISER HOWARD
KEARNEY WILMA
KEMMING SUSAN
KERR ELAINE
KOHLMYER BONNIE
LANTZ



LINDA
LAWRIE MARTHA
LEADBETTER DONNA
LEWIS CONNIE
MAGILL PATRICIA
MANNS RONALD
MANNS SARA
MARTIN JOHN
McDERMOTT



LINDA
McLAUGHLIN



SHARON
MEAGROW



DOLORES
METZ



ROBERT
MIDDAUGH



JONATHAN
MOORE



MARY ELLEN
MOYER



CAROL
MURRAY



JOAN
MURRAY



Eighth Graders Get Into the Swing of Things

BY using the junior high library, the eighth graders become familiar with the knowledge within it. In the picture to the left, student librarian Dave Sommers is-
sues books to Charles Gelsanliter, Dexter Tebo, and Bonita Pfeiffer.



PAMELA
NORSWORTHY



STEPHEN
OBLENDER



SANDRA
PANCOAST



BONITA
PFEIFFER



JOE
PLEASNICK



RICHARD
POTTER



TOM
PRICE



JOHN
PRUSHINSKI



CHUCK
ROGERS



CHARLES
RUSSAKOV



VIRGINIA
RUTH



BARBARA
SALADIN



JEANNE
SAWYER



FRANCES
SCHAUSS



TIM
SCHAUSS



KAYE
SCHWAB



DAVID
SERVICE



TIM
SHELDON



SYLVIA
SHIPLEY



SAMMY
SHIRK



YVONNE
SILCOX



EVELYN
SMITH



ROBERT
SNYDER



TIM
SOMMER



LINDA
STACEY



HOMER
STALL



RUTH
STOWER



ROGER
STRIMPLE



BARBARA
STRUTTON



PATRICIA
TANNER



RAY
THOMAS



NANCY
TIMMAN



BRENDA
TOOLE



DALE
TRAUTMAN



BARBARA
UNGERER



CAROL
VON SEGGERN



MARY ANN
WALEK



ROBERT
WALLACE



HORACE
WARD

EIGHTH graders also develop a deeper interest in studies through their individual classes.

Through industrial arts, Douglas Kramer, an eighth grader, gains a creative interest.



Not pictured: Nancy Singer.



RAYMOND
WARE



STANLEY
WARE



MARILYN
WARNER



PAUL
WEIDINGER



NANCY
WELCH



RICHARD
WELLS



CONNIE
WENDLAND



EDWARD
WHITE



LOIS
WILKINSON



DELBERT
WOODS



DELLENE
WOODS



ROSS
YOUNG



MALINDA
ZINK



JANET
ZUREICH



DAVID
ADELMAN



NANCY
ALBRITTON



GEORGE
ANGELAS



KATHY
ANGELAS



SUSAN
AUSTIN



THOMAS
AUSTIN



NORMAN
BAKER



DONNA
BEIGHTOL



Seventh Graders Develop New Ideals

UPON beginning their first year in junior high, the students of the seventh grade became aware of their new responsibilities. Cabinet members of seventh grade were: Penny Sanger, secretary; Judy Johnson, vice president; Jeff Laycock, president; David Carpenter, treasurer.



STEPHEN
BLISSINGER



PATRICIA
BLACKBURN



LUCILLE
BOLDING



KAREN
BOYD



FRANCIS
BRAMEL



CAROL
BRAMHILL



GEORGE
BRINK



MIKE
BURKETT



RENN
BURNS



SHARON
BURRAS



SHARON
BUTCH



ARCHIE
CALDWELL



LAURA
CARDMAN



DAVID
CARPENTER



ALICIA
CHAFFEE



JOHN
CLAPP



LARRY
COE



RONALD
COE



PHYLLIS
COLISH



JOHN
CROSS



DAVID
CULVER



LINDA
DANKMYER



JUDY
DeVENY



JAMES
DeZELAR



JANICE DeZELAR DALE DICKERSON DAVID DOLBEE LESTER DOWNING JACK EBERT VERL EMMINGER RUTH ERNEST THOMAS FERRIN



SHARON FISHER DIANNE FOWLER JANET FREEMAN GEORGE GILBERT LINDA GILHOUSEN LINDA HARMON LARRY HARTMAN THOMAS HINCKLEY

LEARNING the more complicated and finer facts of woodworking is essential towards having perfection as sought by Dave Rogers, Jack Ebert, and James DeZelar, who are busy on individual projects in the picture to the right.



WARREN HIXON SANDRA HOWEY JUDY JOHNSON JOSEPH JUSTICE ALDIS KANGARS WILLIAM KILLIAN CAROL KING JUDY KLAVUHN



DOUGLAS KRAMER PATTY KUHLMAN KAREN LAWRENCE JEFFREY LAYCOCK JOHN LEVERS GLENN MARETT TERRY MCCRILLIS LARRY MCGUE



MARCIA
McINTYRE



KAREN
MEAGROW



SALLY
METZ



DALE
MEYER



BONNIE
MEYERS



DONALD
MILLER



KAY
MILLER



STANLEY
MILLS

"I hope you don't mind"



Seventh Graders Develop New Ideas

IN order to be able to develop the mind, a healthy body is essential and through physical education classes this is best accomplished.

Dick Hanville, Jerry Christopher, Tom Connerton, and Jim Case strive for this goal through wrestling techniques.



SUE
MILLS



BEVERLY
MOORE



LARRY
MOORE



ERNESTINE
MORRIS



CAROL
MOSIER



JANE MOLLY
MURPHY



POLLY
MURPHY



LYNNE
NASH



PATRICIA
NIELSEN



KATHLEEN
ORR



LORINA
PERKINS



WILLIAM
PRESSLEY



FRANKLIN
RAVIT



JANET
REAMER



SUSAN
RENNECKAR



FAYE
RISNER



DENNIS
ROBBINS



DAVID
ROGERS



SHIRLEY
ROOT



MELVOLEE
ROWE



STUART
RUBINOW



PENNY
SANGER



PATTY
SAYLES



TERRY
SCHAUS



ROBERT
SCHILLIG



KIRBY
SCOTT



DAVID
SIGNS



KENNETH
SILCOX



PAMELA
SIMONS



CLEMEY LOU
SMITH



THOMAS
SMITH



KAREN
SMITH



STEPHANIE
SMITH



JAMES
SMITH



WILLIAM
SMITH



RAYMOND
SMYTHE



JAMES
SOUSLIN



JUDY
SPALSBURY



CAROL
STELZER

Not pictured: Judy Dann, Jack Fruehstorfer,
Tom Signs, Carolyn Strickling.



JANE
STODDARD



DENNIS
STOLTZ



JULIA
STURGEON



TOM
TABER



DEXTER
TEBO



LEE
TEBO



GARY
THOMPSON



DONNA
TIMBS



HENRY
TIMMAN



MARILYN
TIMMAN



TERRENCE
TUTCHINGS



JUDY
UPPER



KAREN
VON SEGGERN



MARGARET
VOSNICK



JERRY
WAGNER



LYNETTE
WALLS



BRUCE
WARD



RICHARD
WARD



JOYCE
WHITE



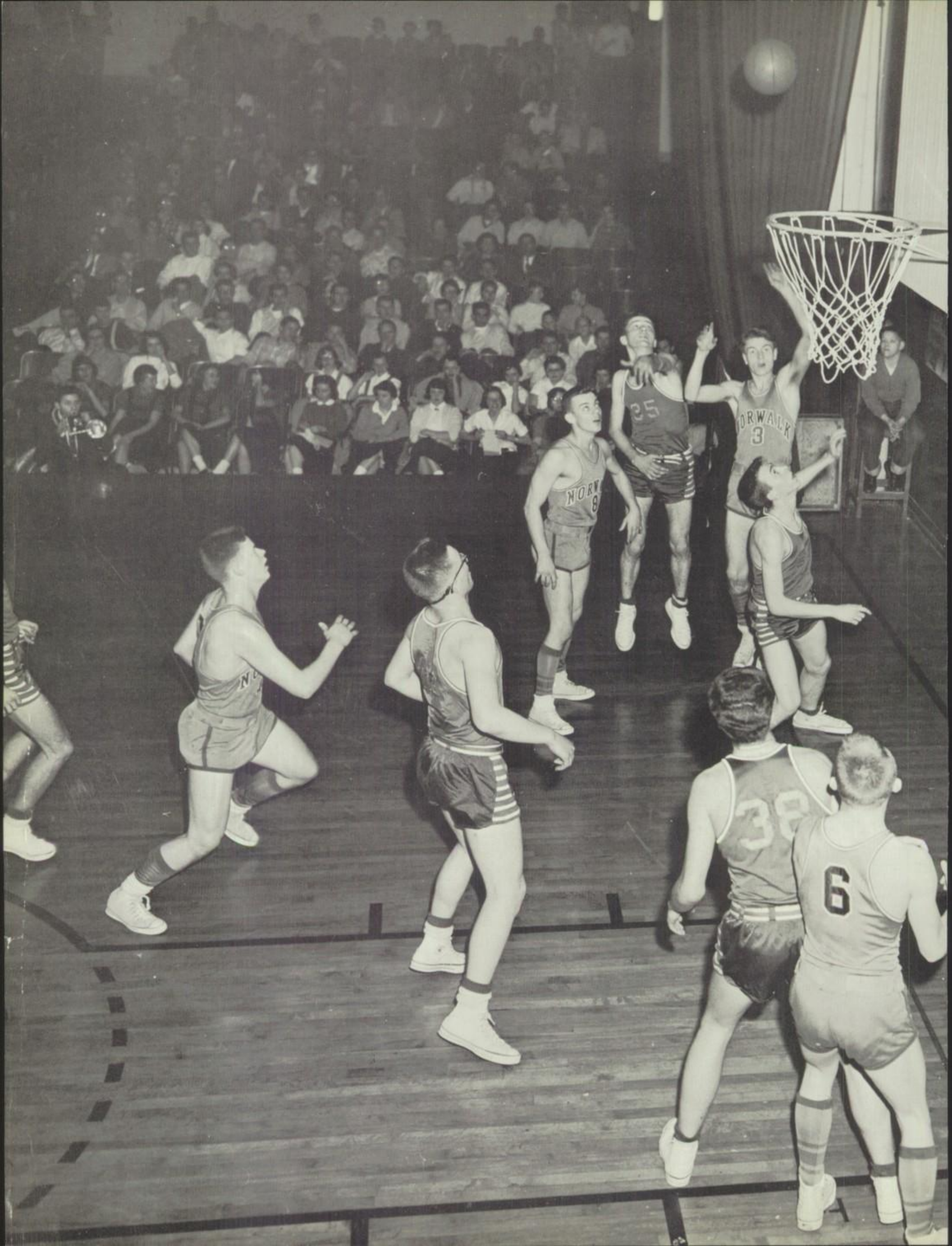
SHARON
WHITE



LENORA
WOODS



BONITA
WOODWARD





Those in the Fight

Norwalk High School boys
gain in sportsmanship,
in experience, and
in friendships with other boys
by participating
in the school's athletic programs.

Everyone in the school gains
enjoyment in watching athletic contests,
and pride in winning.

Boys may choose
to represent their school
in one or more
of the five major sports.





Assembled in the Court are Dick Heaston, Martha Motsch, Jim Spalsbury, Jackie Helsel, Queen, Ruth Earl, Allen Beach, Sandra Hendrickson, Molly Crossen, Dominic Caprara, and Jim Rogers.

Ruth Earl Reigns Over Homecoming

RUTH EARL, a senior, reigned as Homecoming Queen for 1955, over the Tiffin game, October 14.

Miss Earl's attendants were Molly Crossen, senior, Jackie Helsel and Martha Motsch, juniors.

In a pregame ceremony, Ruth was crowned by Quarterback Allen Beach. After the Truckers' victory of 19-0 over Tiffin, the main ceremony of the evening was held in the high school auditorium, where Miss Earl was officially crowned by last year's queen, Sandra Hendrickson.

After the crowning, Queen Ruth and her escort started the victory dance and were later joined by her attendants and the student body.



Homecoming Queen
Ruth Earl



Martha Motsch, Jackie Helsel, Queen Ruth Earl, and Molly Crossen preside over the Norwalk-Tiffin game.



Mihali



Cheering their team to victory are Joanne Earl, Jackie Helsel, Martha Motsch, and Molly Crossen.

Cheerleaders Spirit The Teams

WITH great enthusiasm the varsity cheerleaders cheered the Truckers through nine football games and nineteen basketball games.

The girls were chosen by popular vote among the students. 1955-56 was the second year of varsity cheering for Joanne Earl and Jackie Helsel, but the first year for Martha Motsch and Molly Crossen.

During victory or defeat the cheerleaders never gave up their excellent loyalty to the team.

The four reserve cheerleaders were chosen by members of the faculty. These girls led the Jay-V's through seventeen games of basketball with a great fighting spirit.

The girls were also on hand to substitute in rotation in the absence of a varsity cheerleader when necessary.



Leading the Jay-V's to victory are LaWana Swartz, Ellen Rickard, Elsie Twitchell, and Carol Crosser.

"We did it again"





FRONT ROW: John Zink, Grant Walls Jr., Skip Howell, Alan Angell, Ronnie Morehouse, Dave Munson, Joe Murray, Ken Miller, Jim Rogers, Dominic Caprara, Allen Beach, John Francisco, Jim Spalsbury, Dick Heaston, Dick Paplinski.

SECOND ROW: Jim Ross, Bob Loney, Ed Barker, Dave Sommers, Phillip Oglesby, Alan Leadbetter, Floyd Boyd, Cliff Trautman, Wes Tutchings,

Norb Pelham, Phil May, Don Zureich, Harvey Carrasco, Ernie Kohlmyer, Dave Thomas.

THIRD ROW: Jack Knoll, Mike Cronk, Alan Wickert, John Enders, Craig Dieterich, Vern Liedorff, Dick Miller, Pete White, Herb Moscrip, Jerry Emmons, Bob Fowler, Jerry Wolford, Rickie Metzger, Dale Beach, Chip Heyl, Mike Rice.

Truckers Turn In Good Football Record

AUGUST 20 opened the '55 football season for the Truckers, a season which at first looked to be poor but turned out quite successfully. The Wallsmen had the skill but lacked the ambition in the first two weeks of practice. Things took a turn for the better September 9 when, perhaps by the inspiration of Coach Walls and to the disappointment of the Marion fans, the Truckers invaded the Marion Hardy field and broke the home team's pride and sureness with a score of 7-0 in a preview showing.

September 16 again found the Truckers on the road, this time to play a new opponent, Fairview Park. The game went neck and neck for both squads and when the fourth quarter gun went off the score was 12-12.

Spirits were riding high when the Blue and Gold bounced its way to Upper Sandusky on a rainy September 23, only to have Upper take the winning hand, 34-13.

Four thousand fans filled the bleachers at the Truckers' first home game. The odds this time were against the Blue and Gold players as they met the Shelby Whippets. Norwalk was first to hit pay dirt and played a good defense considering the opponents' strength, but Shelby refused to be beaten by a score of 20-6.

Bucyrus, on October 7, saw the Truckers take a defeat, 14-6. At this game again appeared the pre-season lack of ambition and pride.

Homecoming was the magic word shouted over and over again by the coaches. At practice Coach Howard Hersey worked, talked, and encouraged the line to such a point that on October 14 the Wallsmen took the field and smashed Tiffin Columbian, 19-0, in a game that saw the Truckers play rack-up, sack-up offense and defense.

At Bellevue the Truckers took a defeat October 21. The scoreboard showed 21-7 in favor of Bellevue.

"Dig in again, hit that sled, knock that dummy, catch that ball" were the words echoed that week at practice. Spirited again as in the past by a rousing pep talk from Coach Walls, the Big Blue met Galion on October 27 and out-played, out-ran, out-passed, and out-charged the visitors with a score of 27-7.

November 4 brought to town an old rival the Truckers had been waiting to meet. Willard jogged onto the field with confidence. The Truckers took the field and belted the Flashes, 25-6.



Truckers' fans are kept posted through the courtesy of the Hi-Y.

"Watch out ground! Hee! Sceme"



These Eleven



Kenny Miller
Fullback



John Francisco
Right Halfback



Skip Howell
Right Tackle



Jim Rogers
Right Guard



Dominic Caprara
Center

Start The Game



Allen Beach
Quarterback



Dick Heaston
Left Halfback



Dave Munson
Left End

Not pictured:
Stan Chapin



Phil May
Left Guard



Joe Murray
Left Tackle



Dick Paplinski
Right End



Grant Walls Jr.
Tackle *



Dave Thomas
Tackle *



Harvey Carrasco
Halfback *



John Zink
End *



Quarterback sneak proves successful for first down against Galion.

1955 Football Record

Norwalk	7	Marion	0
Norwalk	12	Fairview	12
Norwalk	13	Upper Sandusky	34
Norwalk	6	Shelby	20
Norwalk	6	Bucyrus	14
Homecoming	14	Tiffin	0
Norwalk	7	Bellevue	21
Norwalk	26	Galion	7
Norwalk	25	Willard	6



Coach Walls looks for re-
placements to rest starters
on Truckers' line-up.

* Starting line-up



Floyd Boyd
End *



Ernie Kohlmyer
End *



Don Zureich
Guard *



Cliff Trautman
Center

"Still life"

Quarterback Allen Beach with combined blocking of team mates digs for the goal against Galion with an outcome of 26-7, favor Truckers.



Again as in the past the line buck gains the first down for the Blue against Tiffin. Final outcome, 14-0, favor Wallsman Blue.



* Starting line-up



Jim Spalsbury
Quarterback



Ronald Morehouse
Guard



Norbert Pelham
Fullback



Alan Angell
Quarterback



Assistant Coach Howard Hersey points out error to Head Coach Grant Walls.

Parents' Night Brings Victory

PARENTS' night brought with it good fortune for the Truckers. On October 27 the Wallsmen, after suffering defeat at the hand of Upper, Shelby, Bucyrus, and Bellevue, took the field victoriously by defeating Galion, 26-7, for Norwalk's fourth victory of the season.

Pictured below are Caprara #23, Chapin #34, Francisco #82, Morehouse #33, and Murray #45.





Dave Sommers



Wesley Tutchings



Allen Leadbetter



Bob Loney

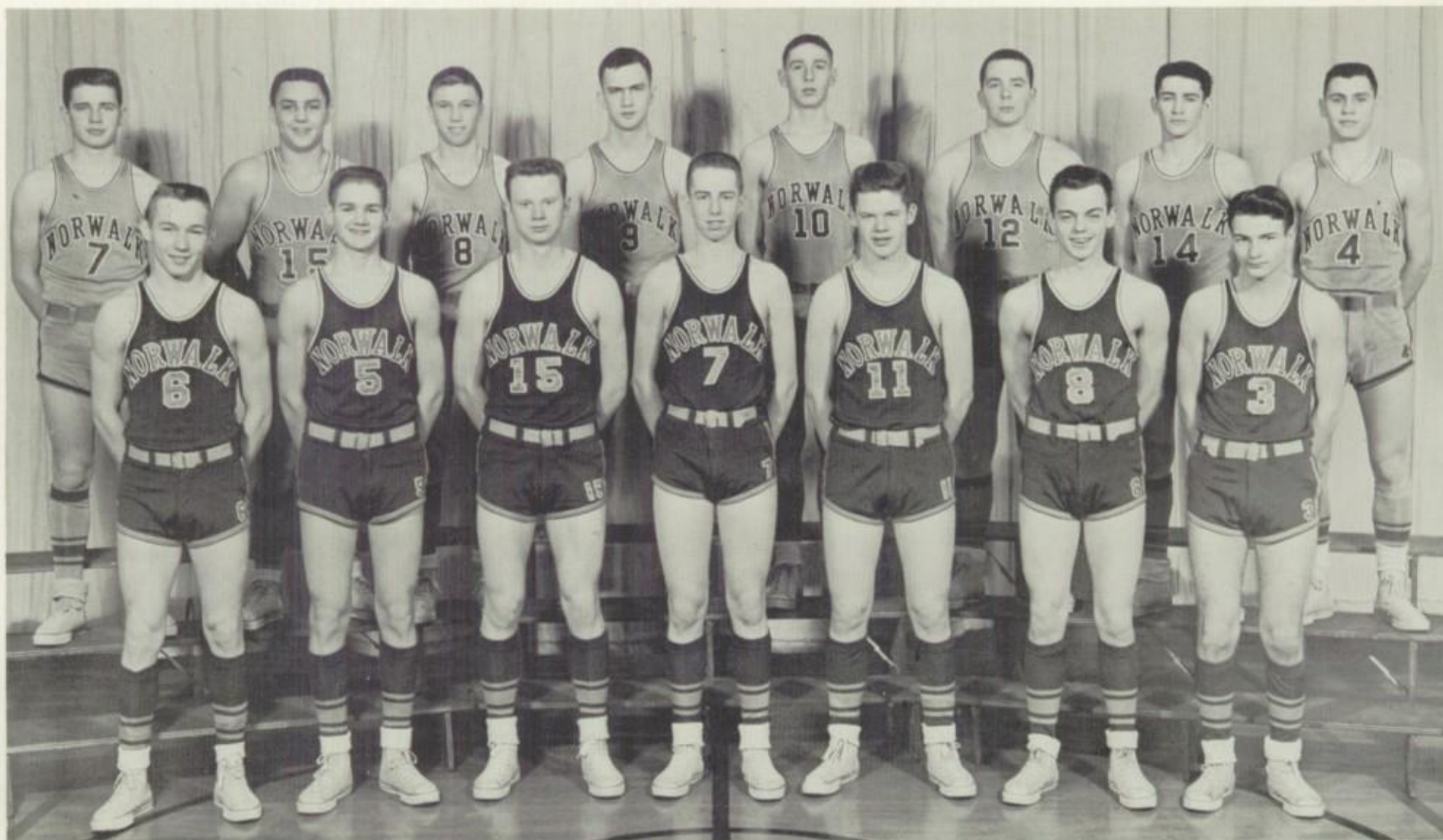
THE Norwalk Junior High football team did very well for itself this year. The squad won two games out of two. Both games were played with Fremont St. Joe's 7th and 8th grade. Norwalk won by 27-7 and 20-7.



FRONT ROW: Ray Thomas, Steve Schillig, Charles Carpenter, Dick Wells, John Cross, Clifford Burkett, Delbert Woods, Stan Ware, Charles Russakov, Dale Trautman.
SECOND ROW: Joe Pleasnick, Douglas Kramer, Robert Snyder, John Levers, Robert Middaugh, Terry Schauss, Donald Barker, William Killian, Thomas Hinckley, Ray Ware.
THIRD ROW: Tom Smith, Jim Caldwell, Terry Tutchings, Larry Hartman, Ronald Allan, David Service, Charles Rogers, Marcus Fowler, John Bush.

Truckers line up for a round of belly-bumping the little pigskin before game time.





FRONT ROW: Dick Heaston, Alan Angell, Ken Miller, Bud Middaugh, Jim Rogers, Allen Beach, John Schaechterle. SECOND ROW: Don Zureich, Phil May, Ned Hoelzer, John Francisco, Bob Mitchell, Grant Walls, Jr., Stan Obrenovich, Dick Paplinski.



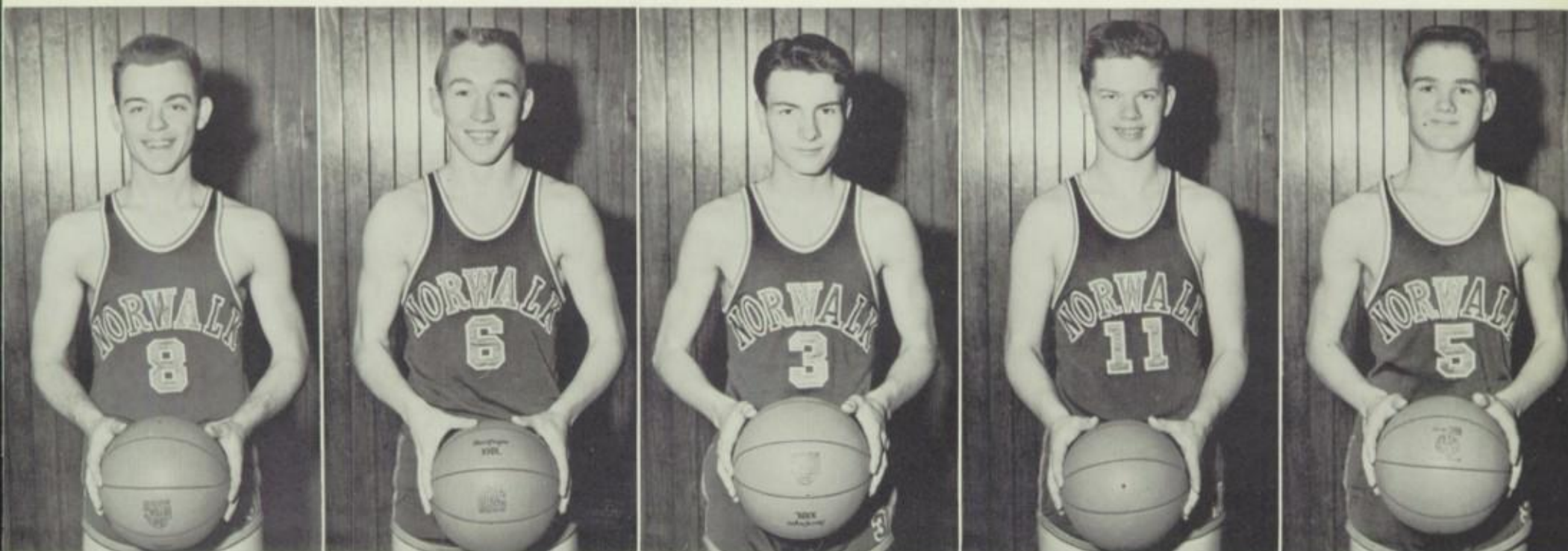
Norwalk	42	Fremont Rose	57
Norwalk	53	Elyria	51
Norwalk	55	Bellevue	57
Norwalk	56	Sandusky	63
Norwalk	60	Clyde	43
Norwalk	61	Sandusky St. Mary's	52
Norwalk	57	Fremont St. Joe's	61
Norwalk	65	Mansfield Madison	61
Norwalk	58	Port Clinton	70
Norwalk	74	Bellevue	60
Norwalk	76	Willard	51
Norwalk	57	Galion	61
Norwalk	55	Shelby	61
Norwalk	49	Akron Kenmore	62
Norwalk	47	Tiffin	66
Norwalk	81	Upper Sandusky	65
Norwalk	62	Bucyrus	58
Tournament			
Norwalk	67	Willard	48
Norwalk	48	Tiffin	52

Forward Allen Beach of the Truckers (#8) makes his bid for two more points against Sandusky.

Truckers End Season With 8-9 Record



The power behind the team is Coaches Howard Hersey, Grant Walls, and Ike Owen.



Allen Beach
Forward

Dick Heaston
Forward

John Schaechterle
Guard

Jim Rogers
Center

Alan Angell
Forward

Team Goes to Tournament Semi-finals

THE Norwalk Truckers coached by Mr. Grant Walls concluded their season with a record of 8 wins and 9 losses. High point man for the year was Dick Heaston scoring 32 points against Upper Sandusky.

The season opened on December 2 when the Wallsmen met Fremont Ross on their own floor and suffered the first loss of the season, 57-42. On December 9 in a game packed with thrills the Truckers took their first victory against Elyria, 51-53.

The following week on December 16 the traditional rivals came to town. Two points made the difference. Bellevue defeated the Blue and Gold, 57-55. The next day Sandusky, in a game which ran overtime, also took the glory by a score, 63-56.

Starting the holidays right, the Truckers visited and crushed Clyde, 60-43, on December 20. Three days later Sandusky St. Mary's also fell prey to the Truckers, 61-52. But on December 28 the Truckers' two game victory streak was crippled by Fremont St. Joe's with the score, 57-61.

Mansfield Madison found the Truckers determined to take their fourth victory on December 30, 65-61. Port Clinton 70, Norwalk 58 was the outcome of a contest held January 6.

On January 13 Norwalk traveled to Bellevue for a league game. Coach Walls taught his men to be ready and sent them onto the floor to defeat the Redmen, 74-60, making up for the loss earlier in the season. The Truckers' victories seemed to come in pairs. On January 20 Willard lost the game, 76-51. However, January 27 Galion came to town with blood hungry ambitions and left with a victory, 61-57.

Shelby on February 3 also proved to be unlucky for the Truckers. The potential powerhouse of the Northern Ohio League downed Norwalk, 61-55. Akron Kenmore defeated the Truckers, 49-62, the following night.

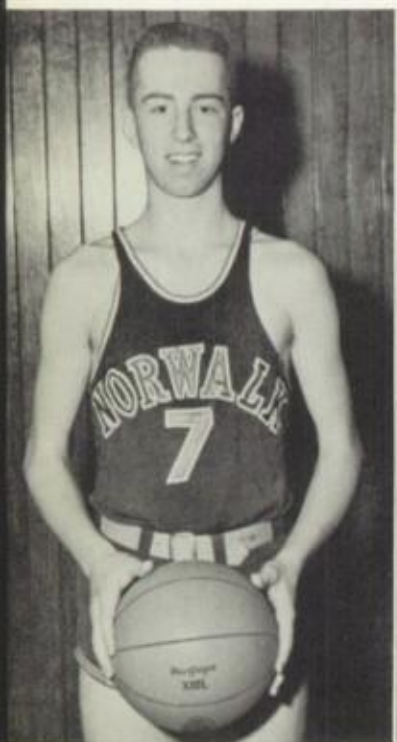
The Wallsmen met Tiffin February 10 on the Tiffin floor and returned home defeated, 47-66. But on February 17 the tones of victory rang out as Hot Shot Forward Dick Heaston poured in 32 points against Upper Sandusky. Heaston's team mates added 49 points to that and Upper went home finding themselves out-shot, out-played, and defeated, 81-65.

Again good things came in pairs. On February 21, in what Coach Walls stated to be the game best backed by the Truckers' fans, the Blue and Gold found victory against Bucyrus, 62-58. This game concluded the season.

In the tournament held in Sandusky the Truckers defeated Willard, 67-48, February 24 but fell to Tiffin, 52-48, March 2.



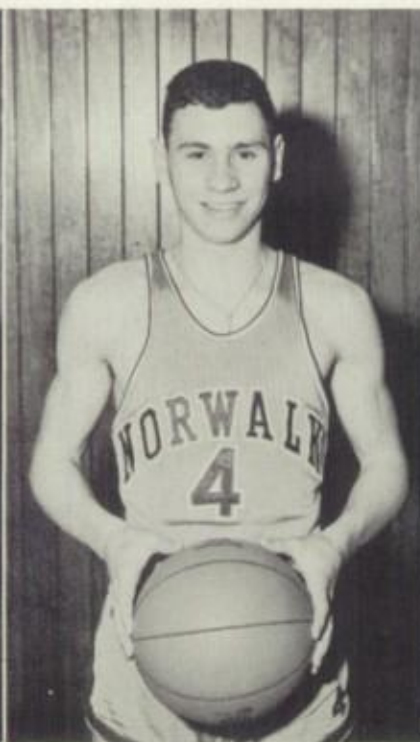
Rogers shoots in the Elyria game.



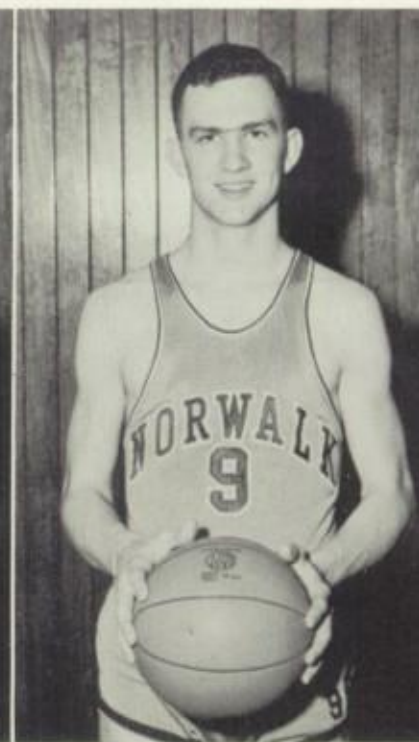
Forest Middaugh
Guard



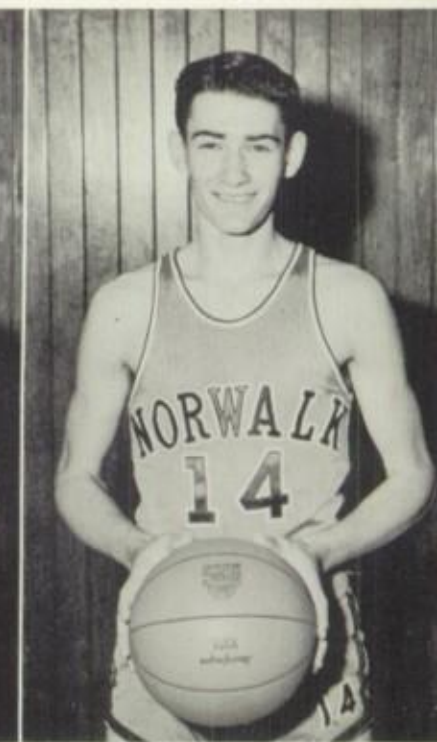
Ken Miller
Forward



Dick Paplinski
Guard



John Francisco
Guard



Stan Obrenovich
Forward



Mitchell waits for the rebound as Rogers prepares for the fast break against Bucyrus.

PERCENTAGE OF GOALS MADE

Heaston	39%
Beach	32%
Rogers	36%
Middaugh	26%
Schaechterle	34%

Heaston drops one in the bucket as Rogers stands by.

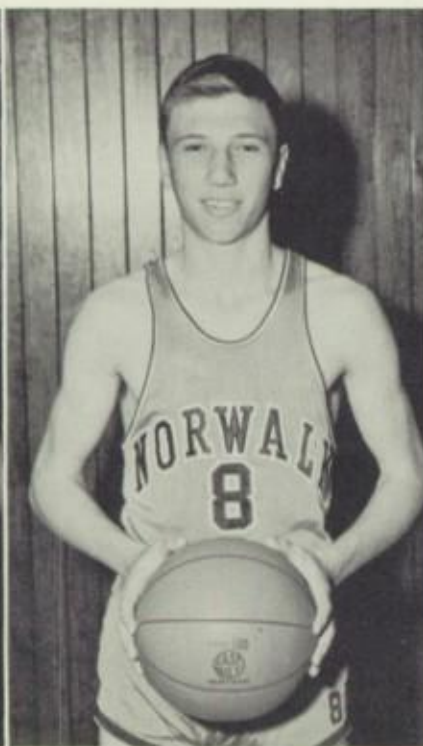


Beach, Rogers, and Heaston wait to retrieve the ball.

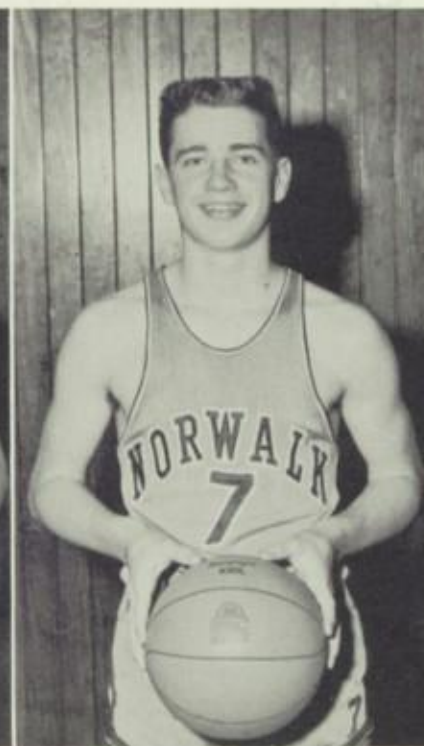




Grant Walls
Center



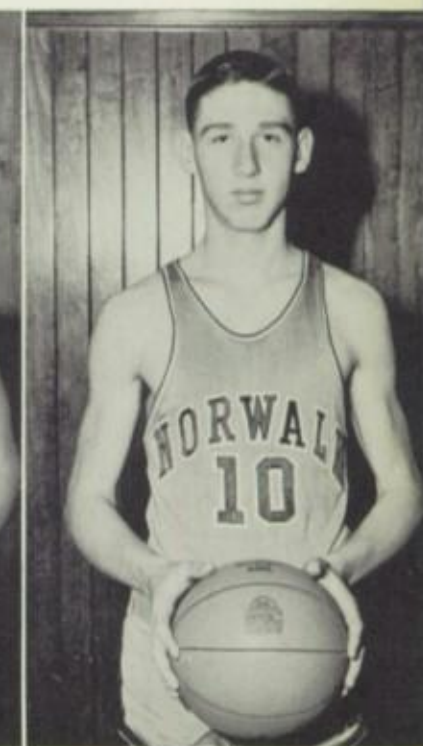
Ned Hoelzer
Guard



Don Zureich
Forward



Phil May
Guard



Bob Mitchell
Forward

PERCENTAGE OF GOALS MADE

Obrenovich	80%
Mitchell	30%
Angell	30%
Francisco	20%
Miller	21%

Rogers scores against Gallion.



Beach defies three Gallion players and shoots for the basket.



Rogers takes a free throw. Heaston, Beach, and Angell wait for the outcome.





Truckers warm up before game time.



Beach, Rogers, Schaechterle, and Heaston wait for the rebound against Galion.



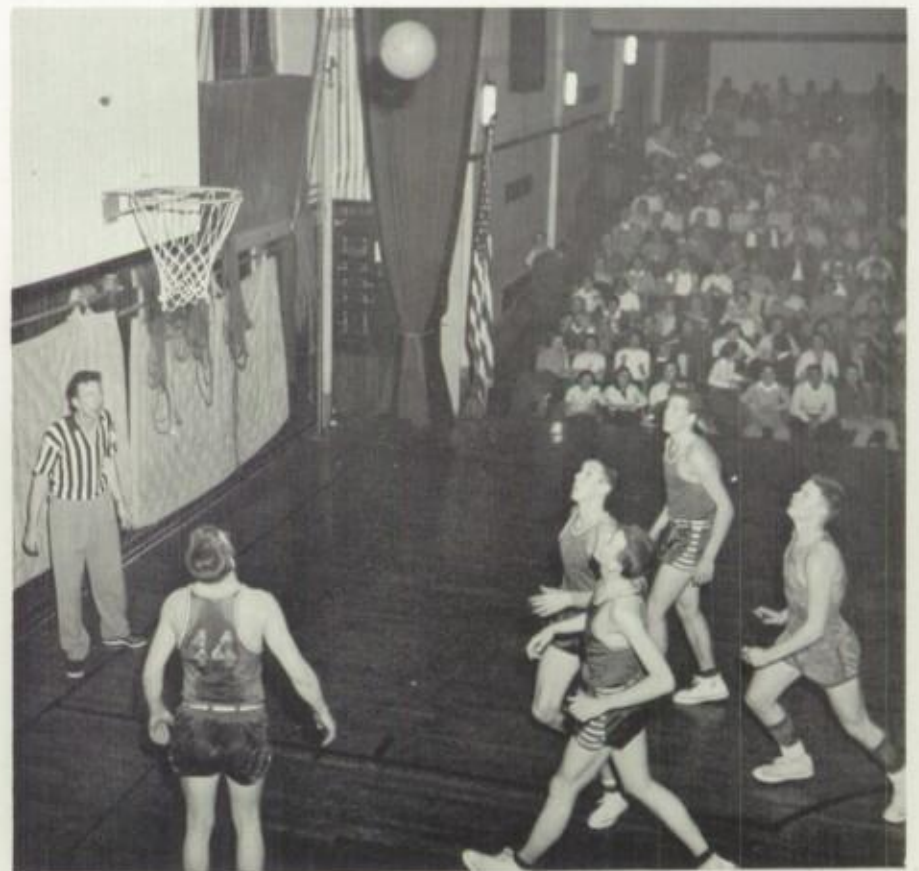
Bucyrus tries in vain to stop Heaston's shot.

Heaston High Man

HIGH-POINT man for the Truckers this season was Dick Heaston with 333 points. John Schaechterle was second with 207 points. Jim Rogers scored third with 180 points.



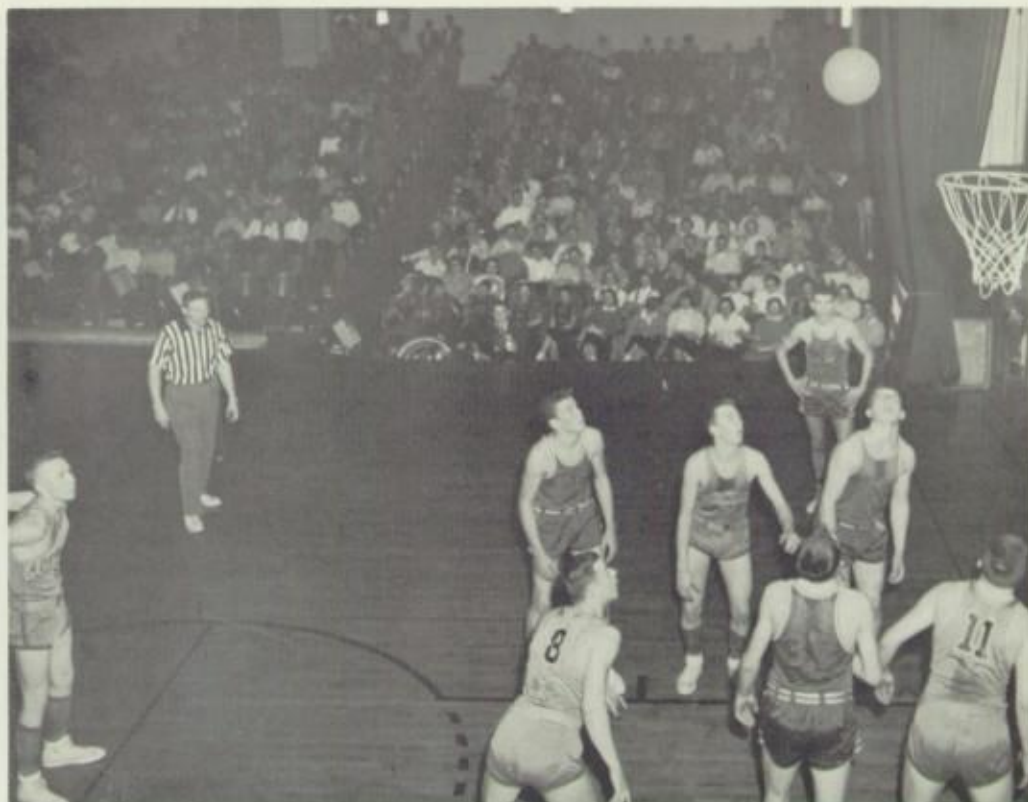
Rogers, Beach, Schaechterle, and Heaston look on as unknown Trucker scores.



Truckers cut loose against Galion.



Mitchell, Beach, and Schaechterle in light colors wait for the outcome.



Heaston fires against Galion. Beach and Rogers wait for the rebound if necessary.

Two Win All-League Berths

DICK HEASTON was named to the Northern Ohio League's first team, while John Schaechterle landed a second team berth in the all-league cage selections made by the Toledo Blade.

Both Dick and John were the shortest boys chosen on their respective teams. Dick is 5 ft. 11 in. and John is 5 ft. 10 in.

On the all-star NOL team selected by league newswriters Heaston was named to the second team and Schaechterle received honorable mention.



Managers Tom Timman, Noel Kaech, and Leroy Hartsock are loyal boosters.



Bucyrus makes it good as Heaston and Rogers prepare to carry the ball to their own basket.

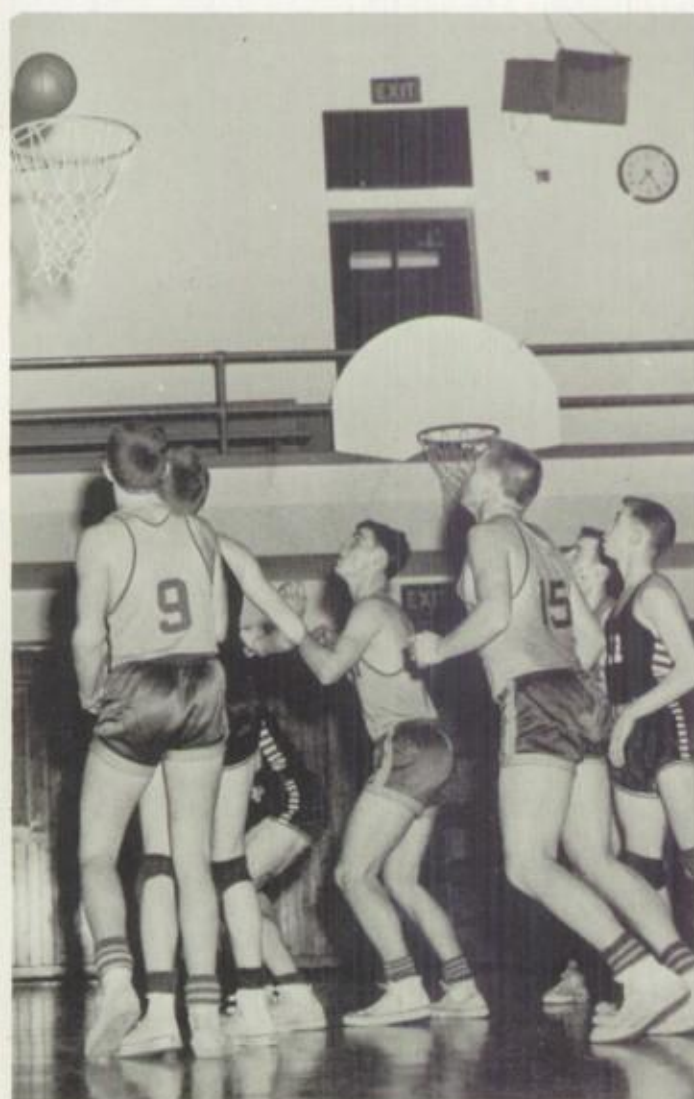


It's the Truckers' basket all the way as Heaston, Rogers, and Schaechterle take a last look.



FRONT ROW: Floyd Boyd, Ernie Kohlmyer, Dave Thomas, John Enders, Tom Westrick, Tom Hutton. SECOND ROW: Wendell Robinson, Jim Ross, Irvin Oglesby, Dave Sitterly, Eddie Barker, Paul Nease.

J-V's Hutton, Westrick, and Thomas stand by as the ball sails.



Reserves Suffer Many Losses

THE Norwalk J-V's suffered a poor season with 3 wins and 14 losses. The Reserves are coached by Ike Owen, who took charge in 1953. Since then he has been doing a fine job in training future varsity players. Playing for the Reserves helps boys to gain the skill required of an expert varsity man. Hard work and long hours of practice are the key words of their motto.

RESERVE RECORD			
Norwalk	33	Fremont	42
"	43	Elyria	62
"	35	Bellevue	44
"	36	Sandusky	77
"	29	Clyde	31
"	48	St. Mary's	42
"	51	Fre. St. Joe's	26
"	43	Madison	40
"	32	Port Clinton	55
"	48	Bellevue	49
"	43	Willard	46
"	39	Galion	48
"	39	Shelby	69
"	38	Akron Ken.	59
"	30	Tiffin	36
"	33	Upper	42
"	38	Bucyrus	52

Freshmen Make Good Try

THE freshman team, although it lost three out of seven games, had a very successful season in that the players have gained valuable experience.

The freshmen will be next year's reserves and through previous experience they should be in top performance, for perfection is gained by experience.



FRONT ROW: Craig Dieterich, Dale Beach, Bob Fowler, Charles Service, Norb Pelham.
SECOND ROW: Duane Ringle, Dave Williams, Bob Dieterich, Jerry Emmons, Mike Rice, George DeZelar.

7th Graders Successful; 8th Not So



FRONT ROW: Bill Killian, Kenneth Daily, Delbert Woods, Chuck Rogers, Tom Price.
SECOND ROW: Marcus Fowler, Tom Connerton, Chuck Russakov, Coach Harry Shadle, Charles Carpenter, Robert Middaugh, Ronald Allan.



FRONT ROW: William Killian, Bruce Ward, Dave Carpenter, John Cross, Steve Schillig.
SECOND ROW: Al Kangars, Tom Hinckley, Dave Culver, Coach Harry Shadle, Jeff Laycock, Mike Burkett, Dave Adelman.

THE Norwalk Junior High basketball season was a very successful one, especially for the seventh grade. They won eight and lost none.

The eighth grade had a poor season by winning three and losing seven.

However, both teams played a rough schedule. Coach Harry Shadle is looking forward to a good season next year.

Eighth Grade

Norwalk	44	Townsend	21
Norwalk	14	Townsend	31
Norwalk	31	Willard	29
Norwalk	15	Willard	29
Norwalk	29	Milan	34
Norwalk	25	Milan	36
Norwalk	25	Bellevue	28
Norwalk	20	Bellevue	29
Norwalk	36	Berlin Heights	28
Norwalk	27	Berlin Heights	45

Seventh Grade

Norwalk	44	Townsend	8
Norwalk	52	Townsend	31
Norwalk	22	Milan	14
Norwalk	29	Milan	11
Norwalk	24	Bellevue	12
Norwalk	25	Bellevue	20
Norwalk	27	Berlin Heights	12
Norwalk	29	Berlin Heights	20



FRONT ROW: D. Heaston, P. May, B. Mitchell, J. Enders, S. Chapin, T. Smith, J. Zink, K. Miller, D. Munson, G. Walls, B. Middaugh, D. Zureich, B. Ommert.
 SECOND ROW: L. Mushett, D. Van Hentenryck, P. Oglesby, B. Moore, D. Vogt, E. Kohlmyer, A. Beach, D. Sitterly, T. Hutton, N. Hoelzer, J. Phillips, E. Goodrich, J. Knoll, H. Carrasco, J. Ross, Assistant Coach Howard Hershey.
 THIRD ROW: Head Coach Isaiah Owens, R. Kettel, C. Trautman, A. Leadbetter, D. Sommers, W. Tutchings, D. Thomas, C. Service, N. Olson, B. Fowler, J. Emmons, T. Tucker, N. Pelham, V. Liedorff, D. Ringle.

Cinder Dogs Complete Season

THE ending of basketball season brought about the opening of spring sports. March 21 opened the 1956 track season. This year's squad was composed of 35 athletes, most of whom were veterans from previous years.

Lettermen who returned this year were Ken Miller, senior, who in 1955 tied the 200-yd. dash record which was held by R. Taylor in 1930. The time was 23.5, which still stands as Norwalk High School's record time.

Dave Munson, also a senior letterman, returned. His specialty was the high hurdles. In the half mile Ted Smith, senior, and Phil Oglesby, junior, returned. The 440 was again represented by John Zink, junior letterman. Stan Chapin was the senior shot put event entry. Pole vaulting event was competed in by Allen Beach, another senior letterman.

The season officially opened April 12 when the Truckers took on Berlin Heights and Townsend-Wakeman.

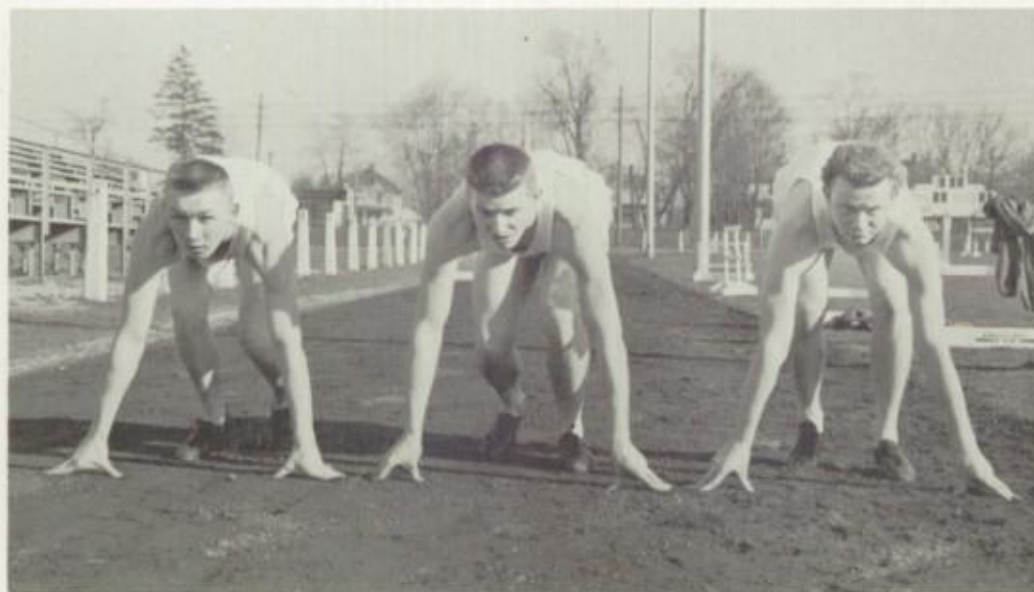
On April 19 the Wallsmen played host to Mansfield Madison. April 26 found the Truckers traveling to meet Bucyrus and Galion. May 3 Tiffin Columbian came to visit the Norwalk Blue and Gold. The NOL meet was held at Tiffin on May 8.

The District Meet was held on May 19 at Mansfield.

The track team was coached by Mr. Isaiah Owen, assisted by Mr. Howard Hershey in the field events.



Beach takes a running start for the pole vault event.



Heaston, Zink, and Miller wait for the starting gun.



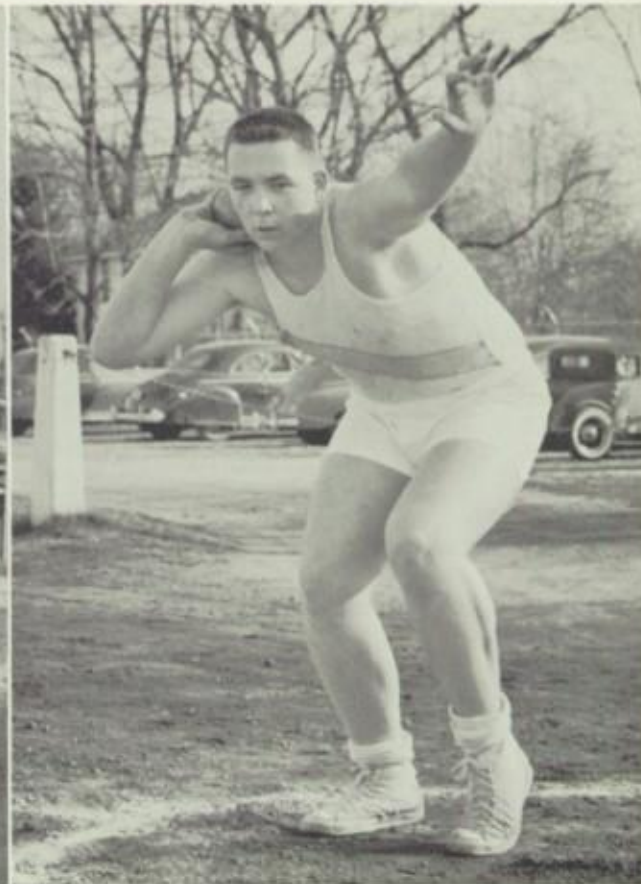
Smith, Knoll, and Hoelzer battle it out for first place.



Mitchell prepares to cut loose with the discus.



Munson takes the high hurdles.



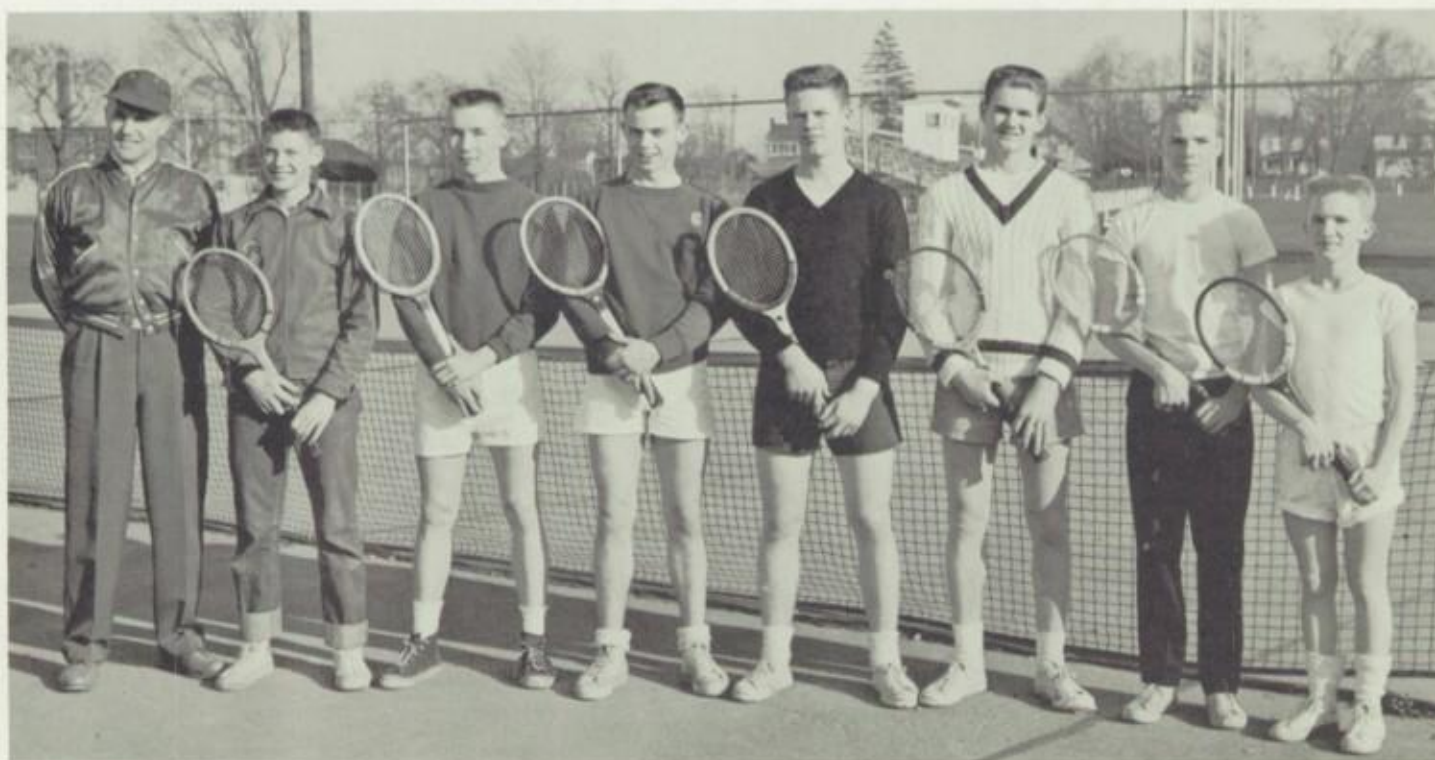
Walls perfects his shot put form.

1956 TENNIS SCHEDULE

April 18	Sandusky	Away
April 23	Fremont	Away
April 25	Bellevue	Away
April 30	Margaretta	Away
May 2	Huron	Home
May 7	Fremont	Home
May 9	Bellevue	Home
May 10	Upper Sandusky	Away
May 14	Margaretta	Home
May 16	Huron	Away
May 18-19	District Tournament	
	Bowling Green State	
May 22	Upper Sandusky	Home

Veterans Spark Tennis Team

COACHED by Mr. Harry Shadle, the tennis team consisted of nearly all veterans. Sporting a 4-3 record from the previous year, the team looked very impressive this year. Alan Angell, senior, played first man on the team. He was followed by Jim Rogers, Dick Heaston, John Schaechterle, Allen Beach, seniors, and Mike Cronk, junior. Newcomers to the team this year were Chalmer Cook and Craig Dieterich, freshmen.



Coach Harry Shadle, Mike Cronk, Dick Heaston, Allen Beach, Jim Rogers, Alan Angell, Craig Dieterich, Chalmer Cook.
(Not pictured: John Schaechterle)





Golden Deeds of Right

The more social aspects
of school life
play an important part
in school life.

Students serve their school and community
through their service clubs,
musical and other organizations.

Almost every student finds
something to interest him
in one of the eight clubs,
the band, the orchestra, the chorus
or in the drama group.



National Honor Society members are (first row) Janna Stoutenburg, Doris Worcester, Martha McDonald, Dominic Caprara, Patricia Sellinger, Alice Shantz, and Marjorie Fox; (second row) George Diehl, David Munson, James Rogers, Stanley Chapin, Alan Angell, Alan Robinson, Grant Walls, Wesley Tutchings, Richard Heaston, and Jacquelyn Helsel.

Seventeen Students Receive Top Honors

SCHOLARSHIP, leadership, character, and service are the qualifications for membership in the National Honor Society. A small group of students are honored each year by election to this society. To be eligible, a student must be in the upper twenty-five per cent of his class. Out of this group, fifteen per cent of the senior class and five per cent of junior class are elected. The election is by a secret ballot of the faculty and the results are announced by the society's advisor, Miss Ruth Bell.

Two year members

ALAN SCOTT ANGELL JR. has been in four Junior-Senior plays. He was sergeant at arms of the Hi-Y and sang tenor in the high school chorus. He participated in tennis and football and earned a letter in basketball.

DOMINIC MICHAEL CAPRARA, senior class president, was one of the representatives to Boys' State in his junior year. He was on the journalism staff for two years and did most of this year's photography.

MARY MARTHA McDONALD was president of the largest Y-Teen club in the school's history. She was a reporter on this year's Signal staff. Scholastically, she was among the top in her class.

ALAN GRANT ROBINSON has consistently ranked as one of the highest in his class. In his senior year he was president of the Student Council and winner of the Jaycee's local "I Speak for Democracy" contest. He participated in four Junior-Senior plays and co-starred in a radio disc jockey program. **PATRICIA ANN SELLINGER** was co-editor of this year's newspaper. Pat ranked among the top students of her class scholastically. She is a talented artist and devoted a great deal of her time and artistic efforts to all kinds of projects around school.

Newly elected seniors

STANLEY RAYMOND CHAPIN showed his leadership characteristics by leading the Hi-Y club, as president, in a very successful year. He was also vice-president of the senior class and earned three football letters and one track letter. **RICHARD MORRIS HEASTON** was one of the top athletes in his class. He earned three letters in football and basketball and one in tennis. Besides being the business manager of the school paper he served as vice-president of the Hi-Y and as a member of the Student Council. He appeared in several of the play productions.

DAVID GAIL MUNSON participated in both football and track. He earned one football letter and one track letter. He was Hi-Y

president in his junior year and a member of the Junior-Senior fall play cast in his senior year. He also sang in the chorus. **JAMES WILSON ROGERS** was very active in high school sports. He has three tennis letters to his credit besides two in basketball and two in football. In his senior year he was in both of the Junior-Senior plays and participated in several speech class assemblies.

ALICE VALENTINE SHANTZ, having had two years of experience on the journalism staff, co-edited the newspaper. She was busy taking care of class funds as the senior class treasurer and was active in sports serving as president of the GAA. Alice was in the cast of this year's Junior-Senior fall play.

JANNA LOU STOUTENBURG was a member of this year's Signal staff. An outstanding art student, she did the art work for this year's annual. She was treasurer of her class in her junior year.

DORIS IRENE WORCESTER was one of Norwalk's delegates to Girls' State in her junior year. Doris was both secretary of the senior class and a senior representative to the Student Council.

Newly elected juniors

GEORGE WILLIAM DIEHL is thought of wherever music is concerned at Norwalk High. He has played in the marching band for four and one half years, the orchestra for four years, and the German band for three. He excels in playing the piano, the trumpet, and the cello.

MARJORIE ALICE FOX was one of the two juniors on this year's Signal staff. She was a member of the GAA and played guard on Michigan's team. She served as a Y-Teen officer and appeared in the cast of both of this year's Junior-Senior plays.

JACQUELYN ANN HELSEL has been president of her class for two years and a member of the Student Council for three years. This year she was vice-president of the Y-Teens and a member of the journalism staff. She has had the honor of being a varsity cheerleader since her sophomore year.

WESLEY PAUL TUTCHINGS plans on a career in the teaching profession. He was president of the FTA. He has been elected as next year's Hi-Y president. Wesley plays the viola and the saxophone in the school's musical organizations.

GRANT WALKER WALLS JR. was one of the junior class representatives to the Student Council. He is also active in school athletics. He has earned two football letters and one basketball letter.



SEATED: Barbara Diringer, Jackie Helsel, Alan Robinson, Dick Heaston, Doris Worcester. STANDING: Bonita Grinold, Ed Barker, Grant Walls Jr., Pete White, Stuart Rubinow, Paul Nease, Homer Stall, Mr. James Ross.

Student Leaders Compose the Council

A PROGRESSIVE Student Council started the ball rolling early this year with its donation of \$500 to the scoreboard fund.

Another of its services to the school was the stationing of hall monitors to greet and aid visitors to Norwalk High.

An extra touch of school spirit was added when the Student Council took action making every Friday "Letter Day." This gives everyone who has earned any kind of letter a chance to wear it with pride.

The entire student body attended school two days in their Sunday best because of the two "dress up" days commemorating Christmas and Easter. This was another idea

sponsored by the Council.

Service to NHS is not the only kind of service the Council performed. The members held a drive to collect used shoes to be sent overseas.

Christmas time showed that the Council was also interested in social affairs. It sponsored a formal Christmas dance. The music was provided by Al Pierce's Orchestra.

Next year the student body and faculty will be enjoying the paid assemblies that this year's Council arranged.

Principal James Ross advises the group.

"There's no place like Toledo"



Lopsided signs announcing the Council's Christmas Dance are posted by Jackie Helsel.



Barbara Diringer greets a visitor with a friendly smile.

"Memories are made of this"



Stan Chapin presents a picture of Mr. Carl Siebel, former coach and teacher at NHS.



Signs depicting Hi-Y mottoes are posted by Ronnie Freeman and Dale McCreery.



The Hi-Y cabinet includes (seated) Joe Murray, secretary-treasurer; Stan Chapin, president; Dick Heaston, vice-president; (standing) Mr. C. N. Stevenson, advisor; Alan Angell, Sargeant-at-arms; and Wesley Tutching, chaplain.

Hi-Y Activities Improve the School

NOT only entertainment but also education and service have been important to this year's Steward Hi-Y club. The Hi-Y, advised by Mr. C. N. Stevenson, is a branch of the Young Men's Christian Association.

One of the club's first projects was aiding in the construction of the new Firelands Museum. The organization also erected a bulletin board for football and basketball scores in front of the school.

In the line of education the Hi-Y had a series of speakers. These included Mayor Henry Young, Coach Grant Walls, Deputy Sheriff John Borgia, Mr. P. J. Garcia, the Reverend Paul Dennison, Mr. James McBride, and Mr. James Ross.



FRONT ROW: John Walek, Peter White, Harvey Carrasco, Herb Moscrip, Bruce Moore, Kit Angell.

SECOND ROW: John Schauss, Dave Sommers, Dave Williams, John Phillips, Steve Pleasnick, Richard Paplinski.

THIRD ROW: Wesley Tutchings, Ronald Morehouse, Allen Leadbetter, Alan Robinson, Dick Heaston, Tom Westrick, Phil May, Don Zuriech.

FOURTH ROW: Ernie Kohlmyer, Ted Smith, John Enders, Dave Thomas, John Zink, Alan Angell, Jim Spalsbury, Steve White, Tom Hutton.

"I'll never know who did it"



The trophy case is put into order by Alan Robinson and Stan Chapin.



It's coke time! Bob Mitchell, Bud Middaugh and John Phillips enjoy after-meeting refreshments.

The Hi-Y had charge of the Thanksgiving assembly. At this time the members presented the school with a picture of Mr. Carl Seibel, former football coach and teacher at NHS.

A car wash and selling pens were Hi-Y money making projects.

At Christmas the boys packed baskets of food for needy families. They also solicited for the Heart Fund and distributed school levy posters.

The boys had a project planned for each school week and with this busy schedule tried to live up to the mottoes depicted on signs they erected: "Clean Living," "Clean Speech," "Clean Sports," and "Clean Scholarship."



Noel Cash and Ernie Kohlmyer do the honors at a Hi-Y meeting.



FRONT ROW: Noel Kaech, Tom Timman, Jim Ross, Wendell Robinson.

SECOND ROW: Tom Osborn, Robert Landenberg, Rick Metzger, Mike Cronk, Richard Schlegelmilch.

THIRD ROW: Bill Cash, Don Young, Jerry Emmons, Stan Chapin, Dave Mun-

son, Dale McCreery, Ronald Freeman.

FOURTH ROW: Gene Ballard, Bud Middaugh, Jim Rogers, Ken Miller, Bob Mitchell, Joe Murray, Alan Wickert, Grant Walls Jr.



Helen Angelas, Barbara Diringer and Martha Motsch prepare to decorate the high school for Christmas.



Shirley Marion, Mary Timman and Penny Tossell admire their Christmas decorating.

Y-Teens Do Good Deeds

STRAINS of "Rhapsody in Blue" and a blue spotlighted fountain was the setting for the annual Y-Teen Dinner Dance, one of the biggest social events of the year.

But the Y-Teens, a branch of the YWCA, is more than a social group. It is a Christian organization interested in school and community service.

With gifts of food the girls gave two families something to be thankful for at Thanksgiving.

Many Y-Teen girls can consider themselves "pros" at envelope filling. They filled donation envelopes for the Community Chest and Easter Seal campaigns. The girls also solicited for the Heart Fund Drive.

Easter was an important season for the Y-Teens. Besides having charge of the Easter assembly for the student body they held morning worship services before school.

Mrs. Naomi Wiebe was the advisor for this year's club, the largest in the club's history.



Composing the Y-Teen cabinet are (front row) Jackie Helsel, vice-president; Marjorie Fox and Helen Angelas, co-program chairmen; (second row) Barbara Diringer, secretary; Martha McDonald, president; and Martha Motsch, treasurer; and the advisor, Mrs. Naomi Wiebe.



Committees are chosen by Marge Fox at a typical Y-Teen meeting.



Pat Kledis and Sharon Hummel wait on customers at the concession stand.



FRONT ROW: Louise Gorman, Carol Miller, Ellen Rickard, Cindy Haynes, Bonita Grinold, Linda Usselton, Joan O'Dell, Sylvia Woodsite.
SECOND ROW: Sue Crossen, Virginia Naszodian, Martha Jameson, Sharee Roscoe, Joan Wells, Joanne Kaiser, Janna Stoutenburg, Elizabeth Cissne, Debbie Battles, Judy Boepple.
THIRD ROW: Doris Kubin, Carol Heyman, Judy Cunningham, Pat Howell,

Nancy Earle, Vera Liedorff, Kathy Finch, Judy Hepp, Mary Shutts, Carol Rogers.
FOURTH ROW: Judy Pierce, Nancy Wilcox, Ethel Martin, Nancy Thornton, Susan Martin, Carol Crawford, Margie Gfell, Marilyn Miller, Esther Katonak, Kay Kugel, Janet Butch.



FRONT ROW: Sue Smith, LaWana Swartz, Joanne Earl, Alice Shantz, Barbara Cook, Ruth Earl, Barbara Wickert, Judy Carpenter.
SECOND ROW: Barbara Schlegelmilch, Nancy Olson, Helen Angelas, Jackie Helsel, Anita Murray, Pam Metzger, Donna McCrillis, Margaret Battle.
THIRD ROW: Lorraine Katonak, Barbara Hainline, Kathy Katonak, Donna

Higgins, Sharon Hummel, Barbara Diringer, Georgie Everman, Marjorie Fox.
FOURTH ROW: Diane Kinnard, Imogene Smith, Carol Bishman, Monnie Miller, Patty Franks, Mary Timman, Joyce Meyer, Shirley Marion, Penny Tossell, Sally Linn.



FRONT ROW: Coletta Sellinger, Ayris Tyson, Judy Mills, Barbara Bess, Penny Rees, Marilyn Hargraves, Linda Watts, Sandra Bates.
SECOND ROW: Gretchen Ritchey, Sandra Tinker, Nancy Rice, Patricia Sellinger, Mary Finch, Judy Ryerson, Sandra Hanville, Sandra Knoll.
THIRD ROW: Pat Seifert, Patti Young, Anne Lowe, Betty Smythe, Joan Chapin,

Carol Crosser, Barbara Boyd, Grace Austin, Clarann Finch.
FOURTH ROW: Martha Motsch, Martha McDonald, Pauline Griffin, Deanna Scott, Mary Ann Scheid, Mary Crosser, Darlene Pressley, Martha Locke, Joanne Snyder, Marie Grosswiler, Marlene Ringel.



FRONT ROW: Alice Shantz, Joanne Earl, Marjorie Fox, Jackie Helsel, Joan Wells, Kathleen Stanton, Mary Finch, Ruth Earl.
 SECOND ROW: Donna Higgins, Cynthia Revitzer, Nancy Rice, Pam Metzger, Deanna Smolinski, Liz Cissne, Joanne Kaiser, Carol Rogers.
 THIRD ROW: Sharon Hummel, Mary Shutts, Darlene Pressley, Martha Motsch,

Molly Crossen, Martha McDonald, Penny Tossell, Sally Linn, Kay Kugel.
 FOURTH ROW: Mary Timman, Carol Shelley, Loretta Dann, Elizabeth Baker, Juanita Howey, Marge Gfell, Marilyn Miller, Dorlene Braker, Barbara Diringer, Doris Worcester, Carol Hamisfar.



The GAA cabinet includes (seated) Dorlene Braker, program chairman; Martha Motsch, secretary; Marge Gfell, vice-president; (standing) Miss Marilyn Mellinger, advisor; Alice Shantz, president; and Ruth Earl, treasurer.

G. A. A. Has A Busy Schedule

IT'S a woman's world! At least it is on Monday nights when the GAA girls get together to develop athletic skills.

This year the members have found many opportunities to test their abilities in interscholastic sports. They played host to out-of-town girls on two big sports days. One was for basketball and one for volleyball.

The newly made friends, in return, invited Norwalk girls to participate in playdays at their schools. Bellevue, Tiffin and Clyde are some of the schools that the GAA girls visited to participate in sports.



Clarann Finch and Jackie Helsel make paper crowns for homecoming decorations.



Blue and gold pompoms are made by an industrious group of GAA members.



The winning Michigan Team is composed of (front row) Mary Finch, Marjorie Fox, Liz Cissne, Pam Metzger, Joanne Earl, and (back row) Molly Crossen, Martha McDonald, Beryl Hunter, Captain Dorlene Braker, Carol Shelley.



The Ohio State Team is (front row) Alice Shantz, Ruth Earl, Nancy Rice, Joanne Kaiser, Martha Motsch, and (back row) Barbara Diringer, Penny Tossell, Juanita Howey, Captain Marge Gfell, Marilyn Miller.

The club was largely responsible for a successful homecoming. The girls made pompoms and decorated the gymnasium.

One of the most awaited events of the year was the Ohio State vs. Michigan basketball game. Michigan regained the title by defeating Ohio 15-14. Carol Shelley was high scorer with 11 points for Michigan. The girls who played were chosen from the GAA according to their ability to play basketball.

The annual Mother-Daughter Banquet brought to a close a successful and memorable year for the GAA girls.

Membership in the Girls' Athletic Association is worked on a point basis. Points are earned in participation in intramural sports. Miss Marilyn Mellinger is the club's advisor.



Dorlene Braker sets the table for the Good-fellows Banquet feting the football players.

Weaving is in style for the Homecoming decorations. Busy decorating before the big night are Alice Shantz, Dorlene Braker, Martha Motsch and Joanne Kaiser.





Truckerettes Are Future Homemakers

ANY girl who has taken home economics is eligible for membership in the Truckerettes. The advisor for the group is Mrs. Nancy Carrick.

This year the Truckerettes displayed some of their home-making ability by having a reception after the spring Style Show. The reception was open to the public and helped make the Style Show a success.

One of the meetings especially enjoyed by the members featured a cosmetic demonstration.

The Truckerettes also celebrated the Christmas season with a party.

The girls brought their year to a close by having a special meeting honoring their mothers. This was the Mother-Daughter Banquet held in the spring.

ABOVE: Vonnie Reed, Carol Downing and Anita Beightol, Norwalk High's winner of the Betty Crocker homemaking contest, enjoy a home ec party.

LEFT: The Truckerette cabinet composed of Barbara Schlegelmilch, president; Joyce Miller, secretary; Judy Carpenter, treasurer; and Carol Downing, vice-president, get together for a brief meeting.



FRONT ROW: Nancy Olson, Kathleen Stanton, Joyce Miller, Sandy Tinker, Carol Hutchison.
SECOND ROW: Penny Rees, Coletta Sellinger, Judy Clapp, Carol Downing, Marcella Charville, Vonnie Reed.

THIRD ROW: Barbara Schlegelmilch, Judy Carpenter, Anita Murray, Louise Gorman, Ann Lowe, Carol Miller, Ayris Tyson.
FOURTH ROW: Elsie Twitchell, Judy Bishman, Pat Howell, Nancy Earle, Jeanne Peckham, Loretta Kramer, Mary Carley, Janet Butch.



FRONT ROW: Mary Finch, Judy Mills, Pat Souslin, Donna Allen.
SECOND ROW: Nancy Rice, Pam Metzger, Ellen Rickard, Molley Crossen, Judy Kledis.
THIRD ROW: Sue Crossen, Carol Bishman, David Damaska, Wesley Tutchings, Elizabeth Baker, Penny Tossell.

"Isn't that cute"



Wes Tutchings presides over an FTA meeting.

Future Teachers Gain Experience

INFORMAL gatherings at private homes were the settings for most of the meetings of the Future Teachers of America.

The guest speakers throughout the year were various teachers.

This year's club had fifteen members and the initiation was a formal candlelight service.

With the arrival of spring came the Senior Banquet, honoring the senior members, and the close of their year.

This year's advisors were Mr. Maurice Fowler, Miss Lucille Carr, and Mrs. Emilie Wells.



Elementary students' art work (Grecian urns) is examined by Mary Finch, Pat Souslin, and Nancy Rice.



Penny Tossell, Carol Bishman, and Judy Mills think it over at an FTA meeting.



Refreshments of cookies and punch are enjoyed by Martha Leadbetter, Pauline Griffin and Mary Finch.



FIRST ROW: Joan O'Dell, Judy Hepp, Judy Hutchins, Helen Angelas, Debby Battles, Wesley Tutchings, Pete White, George Diehl.

SECOND ROW: Liz Cissne, Dave Williams, Barbara Wahl, Ruth Brown, Joanne Snyder, Anda Vinse, Ellen Rickard, Jerry Archibald, Sandra Bates, Mildred Bramhill, Craig Dieterich, Grace Austin, Marlene Ringle, Pauline Griffin.

THIRD ROW: Cynthia Revitzer, Patty Manns, Mary Timman, Bonita Grinold, Linda Usselton, Sara Martin, Pat Seifert, Linda McLaughlin, Martha Motsch, Patti Young, Jerry Emmons, Carolyn Lederer, Sharee Roscoe, Don Young, Bob Middaugh, Ruth Earl, Joanne Earl, Jon Moore, John Kaiser, Sylvia Woodsite, Virginia Naszodian, Joanne Kaiser.

FOURTH ROW: Nancy Hixon, David Schnitzler, Nancy Hutchinson, Tommy

Allen, LaWana Swartz, Melinda Zink, Deanna Smolinski, Yvonne Silcox, Barbara Wickert, Ayris Tyson, Richard Vogt, Steve Pleasnick, John Zink, Dave Price, Robert Mitchell, Mike Rice, Bob Landenberg, Steve White, Jim Ross, Myrna Kistemaker, Sue Crossen, Anita Beightol, Barbara Boyd, Pam Metzger, Linda Upper, Ed Goodrich, Penny Tossel, Judy Cunningham.

FIFTH ROW: Pamela Norsworthy, Barbara Saladin, Clara Finch, Clara Francisco, Mary Eslinger, Judy Endsley, Lois Blackert, Connie Wendland.

SIXTH ROW: Dave Thomas, Dick Alleshouse, Carol Crawford, Bob Fowler, Barbara Ungerer, Dolores Smolinski, Martha Jameson, Eddie Barker, Mary Finch, Barbara Diringer, Shirley Marion, Mr. R. P. Laycock, Kaye Schwab, Lois Wilkinson.

Not Pictured: Joan Wells.



Instrumental Music Director R. P. Laycock.

Their Concerts Are Outstanding

WITH a membership of ninety-four students and under the direction of Mr. R. P. Laycock, the Norwalk High School Orchestra again proved itself to be one of the finest in Northern Ohio.

The Sunday afternoon concerts in which it participated were acclaimed as "the best in years." At these concerts the orchestra played such pieces as Handel's "Larghetto," Anderson's "Trumpeter's Lullaby," Wagner's "Tannhauser's Overture," Berlin's "God Bless America," Rodgers' "Oklahoma" and Gounod's "Prelude to Faust."

The orchestra's many public appearances this year included the United Nations Celebration program, a Sunday Christmas Concert, an exchange music program with Willard in May, and the Norwalk Music Festival. The group also participated in the Northern Ohio League Orchestra Festival May 27, which was held this year in Port Clinton.

A new \$650 tympani set was presented to the orchestra this year. The tympani, chosen over other instruments in that it would last possibly fifty or sixty years, was presented by Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bishman. The Memorial Fund for Donald Bishman, their son, was included in the \$650. The dedication of the set to Don was made on the afternoon of the last Sunday Concert of the year. Don was a member of the orchestra before his death.

"Of all the liberal arts, music has the greatest influence over the passions, and is that which legislators ought to give the greatest encouragement."

-- Napoleon



FIRST ROW: Don Young, Bob Middaugh, Joan O'Dell, Barbara Strutton, Melinda Zink, Patti Young, Liz Cissne, Martha Motsch, Jerry Emmons, Debby Battles.

SECOND ROW: Judy Hepp, Cynthia Revitzer, Barbara Ungerer, Pat Seifert, Myrna Kistemaker, Sue Crossen, Anita Beightol, Barbara Boyd, Pam Metzger, Linda Upper, Ed Goodrich, Marilyn Hargraves, Nancy Hixon, John Schauss, Ayris Tyson, Joanne Earl, Ruth Earl.

THIRD ROW: Linda Usselton, Mary Timman, Pat Manns, Judy Cunningham, Virginia Naszodian.

FOURTH ROW: Joanne Kaiser, Lois Wilkinson, LaWana Swartz, Carla Braker, Mildred Bramhill, Sandy Covell, Jon Moore, Mike Rice, Robert Landenberg, Helen Angelas, Pete White, Steve White, George Diehl, Sharee Roscoe, Carolyn Lederer, Elaine Kohlmyer, Jerry Archibald, Tom Osborn, Joanne Snyder, Craig Dieterich, Tom Hutton, Pauline Griffin, Anda Vinse, Wesley Tutchings, Sandra Bates, Marlene Ringle, Judy Hutchins.

FIFTH ROW: Carol Crawford, Richard Alleshouse, Robert Fowler, Richard Vogt, Ernie Kohlmyer, Richard Schlegelmilch, Jack Moss, Dolores Smolinski, Martha Jameson, Barb Wahl, Ellen Rickard, Mary Finch, Cindy Haynes, Barbara Diringer, Don Millis, Ronnie Strong, David Schnitzler, Nancy Hutchinson, Marcus Fowler, Steve Pleasnick, Grace Austin, John Zink, David Price, Bob Mitchell, Martha Locke, Judy Boepple, Deanna Smolinski.

STANDING ON RIGHT: Shirley Marion, Mr. R. P. Laycock.

Not Pictured: Joan Wells.

This Band Serves A Dual Purpose

AFTER the close of the football season, the marching band became the Symphonic Band. Although the musicians stayed the same, the music changed from such marching pieces as "Johnson Rag," "Down the Field," "On Norwalk," "Varsity," "Victory March," and "Victors" to the more serious selections like Tschaikovsky's "Symphony No. 5," Harlow's "The Wonderer," Hartley's "Gaiety Polka," Fillmore's "Teddy Trombone," and Mr. Laycock's "Yosemite."

This band performed this year at a United Nations concert, Sunday afternoon programs, the Huron County Fair, and the baccalaureate and commencement exercises.

The Northern Ohio League Band Festival in which the group participated was held this year in Upper Sandusky May 11.



Mr. Laycock instructs George Diehl, Jim Ross, and Bob Mitchell on a coming Sunday concert.

"Music training ought to be of deep concern to parents and teachers because it is the most powerful educational tool of all the arts."

-- Father Flanagan



FIRST ROW: Joanne Earl, Elaine Kohlmyer, Ayris Tyson, Chalmer Cook, Barbara Strutton, Ruth Stower, Linda McLaughlin, Ruth Earl, John Moore, Barbara Ungerer, Mike Rice, Cindy Haynes, LaWana Swartz, Ellen Rickard, Sharee Roscoe, Marilyn Hargrave, Sandra Bates, Sue Crossen, David Schnitzler, John Kaiser, Ronnie Strong, Bob Middaugh.

SECOND ROW: Joanne Kaiser, Jack Moss, Don Young, Barbara Boyd, Helen Angelas, Judy Boepple, Judy Cunningham, Virginia Naszodian, Patty Manns, Lois Wilkinson, Pete White, Tom Osborn, Barbara Diringier, Linda Usselton, Dolores Smolinski, Patti Young, Joanne Snyder, Donna McCrillis, Martha Jameson, Grace Austin, Pat Seifert, Don Millis, Marlene Ringle.

THIRD ROW: Malinda Zink, Bob Fowler, Pam Metzger, Martha Motsch, Mary

Timman, Shirley Marion, Yvonne Toney, Craig Dieterich, Larry Mason, John Enders, Tom Hutton, John Schauss, George Diehl, Cynthia Revitzer, Judy Hutchins, Steve Pleasnick, Bob Mitchell, Dave Price, Mark Fowler, Nancy Hixon, Nancy Hutchinson, Mary Finch, Pauline Griffin, Richard Vogt.

FOURTH ROW: Dick Alleshouse, Liz Cissne, Judy Endsley, Sandra Covell, Martha Locke, Anda Vinse, Anita Beightol, Carol Crawford, Debby Battles, Mildred Bramhill, Myrna Kistemaker, Carla Braker, Linda Upper, Jerry Archibald, Wesley Tutchings, Steve White, Ed Goodrich, Richard Schlegelmilch, Barbara Wahl, Joan O'Dell, Carolyn Lederer, Jerry Emmons, Bob Landenberg.

FIFTH ROW: Judy Hepp, Mr. R. P. Laycock, Deanna Smolinski.

The Marching Band Shows Loyal Support



Marching Band Majorettes Judy Hepp and Deanna Smolinski lead the band in all marching activities.

WITH the opening of the football season came the practicing of the Marching Band. This band with a membership of 105 students from grades 8-12 could be seen every fourth period going to Whitney Field to practice for the Friday night home games.

This band made up a large portion of the cheering section and from the field or the stands added greatly to the spirit and excitement of the game.

On the football field during the half the band performed with such formations as a beer bottle and played the song, "Show Me the Way to Go Home," droodles in the form of a trombone player in a telephone booth, and the original seat cover in the form of a diaper.

The band, under the direction of Mr. R. P. Laycock, performed this year in such activities as the United Nations parade, the Halloween parade, and the Memorial Day parade.

It participated in the Northern Ohio League Band Festival in Upper Sandusky May 11.

Whether in an auditorium, on the field, or marching down the street, the marching band always performed in style.

Inside circle: Don Young III, Bob Middaugh, Steve White, Jim Ross, George Diehl. Outside circle: Wesley Tutchings, Pam Metzger, Mary Finch, Shirley Marion, Ed Goodrich, Dick Vogt, John Schauss, Ronnie Strong, Dave Price, Bob Mitchell.



They Keep School Spirits High

THE lively, colorful music heard before and during the half of the varsity basketball games was provided for the audience by the Pep Band. It was this band that put the students and townspeople into the mood for cheering. It was this band that stirred the pride of the Norwalk fans for their team as their boys came from the dressing room as the music rang out our "Alma Mater."

The members of this band were selected by the director, Mr. R. P. Laycock, from the Symphonic Band.

Among the songs played at the basketball games were "In the Mood," "Lovenest," "Dance with Me Henry," and "Dark Town Strutters' Ball."

No basketball game at Norwalk High would have been complete without the spirit that this band added.

The German Band was composed of fifteen members of the symphonic band. This band provided the music for the pep meetings held on Friday afternoons.



FRONT FIRST: Patti Young, Liz Cissne, Jerry Emmons.
FRONT SECOND: Dolores Smolinski, Barbara Wahl, Mary Finch, Barbara Diringer. Standing, Mr. R. P. Laycock.
LEFT FIRST: Don Young III, Bob Middaugh, Judy Hepp, Linda Usselton.
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LEFT FIFTH: Richard Vogt, Richard Schlegelmilch.
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RIGHT THIRD: John Zink, Dave Price, Grace Austin, Steve Pleasnick, Ronald Strong, Don Millis.



FRONT ROW: Mr. Henry Gladigan, Nancy Earle, Carla Braker, Judy Ryerson, Georgia Everman, Beverly Coy, Evelyn Baker, Mary Jane Gough, Carol Ann Hutchison, Penny Rees, Pat Kledis, Linda Rickard, Joyce Meyer, Linda Watts, Nancy Olson, Sally Linn, Donna McCrillis.
SECOND ROW: Joanne Baker, Sharon Hummel, Geraldine Ravit, Joan Chapin, Kay Kugel, Mary Shutts, Mary Jane Bolding, Betty Baker, Carol Crosser, Dolores Metz, Carol Heyman, Doris Kubin, Pat Wiggins, Sonya Gregory, Nancy Thornton, Virginia Zureich, Diane Kinnard.

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FOURTH ROW: Juanita Howey, Tony Wiggins, Chalmer Cook, Harvey Carrasco, Bill Cash, Joseph Ravit, Bob Loney, Bob Dieterich, Gene Ballard, Jim Spalsbury, Alan Angell, Dick Miller, Louis Penfield, Ron Shipley, John Walek, Sue Smith.

Something New Is Added

SOMETHING new was added to the chorus this year. This new addition was the presentation of awards. The awards, letters, were given to deserving seniors who had been in the chorus four years or more.

The chorus with a busy schedule participated in a Christmas candlelight service, Sunday afternoon concerts, a radio broadcast December 24, an Easter assembly for the high school, a Thanksgiving service, the baccalaureate exercises, and the Norwalk Music Festival.

The Northern Ohio League Chorus Festival in which the organization took part was held in Bellevue April 30. Bill Cash, bass, and Gene Ballard, tenor, attended the State Chorus in Wilmington March 2-4.

Twelve members of the chorus participated in the Ohio Wesleyan Music Festival held in Delaware. This is a goal toward which many members work.

Under the direction of Mr. Henry Gladigan, the chorus had an excellent year.



The girls ensemble is composed of Judy Kledis, Mary Jane Bolding, Betty Baker, Martha Locke, Juanita Howey, Mary Crosser, Pat Kledis, Linda Rickard, and Joyce Meyer.

The Senior Chorus sings at a Christmas program.



"My how ya've grown"



Top singers, Pat Kledis and Gene Ballard, join Charles King in an impromptu number during an assembly program.

Junior Chorus Gains Experience

THE Junior Chorus, although not experienced as the Senior Chorus, had a fairly good year.

Their activities consisted of such events as caroling at Christmas, taking part in the Christmas Assembly and participating in the Norwalk Music Festival.

The chorus joined forces with the Junior Band to present an assembly for the seventh and eighth grades.

Having a comparatively large group this year the Junior Chorus boasts a membership of fifty-three students and is under the direction of Mr. Henry Gladigan.

A group of eight eighth graders selected by Mr. Gladigan sang with the Senior Chorus in the baccalaureate exercises.



FRONT ROW: Jim Souslin, John Clapp, Bruce Ward, Tim Sommer, Alice Bowlin, Jane Stoddard, Linda Harmon, Phyllis Colish, Carol Stelzer, Tim Schauss, Homer Stall, Billy Pressley.

SECOND ROW: Patty Kuhlman, Julia Sturgeon, Alicia Chaffee, Lynne Nash, Karen Lawrence, Diane Fowler, Faye Risner, Donna Timbs, Clemey Smith, Mary Ellen Moyer, Linda Gilhousen, Mr. Henry Gladigan.

THIRD ROW: Judy Klavuhn, Linda Dankmyer, Pat Nielsen, Ruth Stower,

Pat Sayles, Jean Sawyer, Nancy Timman, Judy Spalsbury, Pat Blackburn, Melvilee Rowe, Joyce White, Iva Jean Stevens, Connie Magill, Bonnie Meyers, Mary Ann Walek.

FOURTH ROW: Janice DeZelar, Lorina Perkins, Loretha Boyd, Evelyn Smith, Nancy Welch, Tom Smith, Bob Wallace, Tom Churchill, Dale Trautman, Frank Daniel, Carol Doughty, Linda Hart, Lucille Bolding, Sandra Howey.

"Now don't be shy"



Stan Chapin, as he appeared in "No Snow for Christmas," kids Miss Joanne McFadden in Mr. McBride's office.



Students at League Street School watch the performance of "No Snow for Christmas," as presented by the speech class.

Speech Department Entertains

"**N**O Snow for Christmas," a three act play, was one of the two plays given by the Speech Department. The play, written by Junior Bill Cash, was presented to the grade schools at Christmas time.

The second of the two plays, "How to Propose," was presented at a high school assembly. Alan Robinson, who played the lead in a similar play last year, again headed the cast. The play consisted of seven scenes and demonstrated the art of proposing from the day of the cave man to the present time.

Steve Allen's "Tonight" was another feature arranged by the department for a second assembly.

Bill Cash gave a hilarious imitation of Steve Allen. Many other speech students taking part in the production also proved themselves capable comedians.

All three projects were under the direction of Mr. Donald Harness.



Alan Robinson, as a confirmed bachelor, performs with Helen Angelas in the play, "How to Propose."



The playcast of "How to Propose" poses for the cameraman after the assembly.



Bill Cash as Steve Allen interviews Mrs. Sterling, (Alice Shantz).



A country boy and girl, played by Ted Smith and Joe Murray, perform in "Tonight."



A group of the play cast pose for the camera before the play begins.



The four main characters in the fall play pose before the judge, played by Don Young III.

Dramatics Instills Self Confidence

DRAMATICS played a large part in the social activities of the school year. The beginning of October started fall play casting, the rehearsals, and frustration for Director Donald Harness.

"The Night of January 16th," this year's fall play was a mystery in which Martha Motsch, the female lead, was the girl on trial, Alan Angell, the male lead, was the district attorney and Alan Robinson, the second male lead, played the role of the girl's lawyer. The jury was selected from the audience on the night of the performance, thus causing an unexpected ending.

A great amount of effort and time went into the production of the play and this was reflected in the fine performances given by each.



District attorney, Alan Angell loses case in spite of his passionate plea to the jury.



Wife, (Barb Diringer) is being sworn in by the clerk, (Alice Shantz), while prison matron, (Nan Rice) and District attorney, (Al Angell) look on.



Karen, the girl on trial, played by Martha Motsch, awaits the final decision of the jury.

Another Year—Another Annual

ONE of the most wonderful and hectic experiences in school life is being a member of the journalism staff. This year the sixteen members of the staff issued twelve newspapers. Only a journalism student can know what it means to be fifty inches short at deadline time, or to be constantly alert for a novel feature story, or to know the pride and satisfaction of a finished paper. This year Alice Shantz and Pat Sellinger co-edited the paper and Dominic Caprara did the photography.

Even a more important function of the journalism staff is the compiling of the annual. The annual is a permanent history of the school and a way to bring happy or sad memories to the Norwalk students who reminisce over past school years.

We of the 1956 journalism staff are proud to present this annual and to have it take its place beside the ones before it.



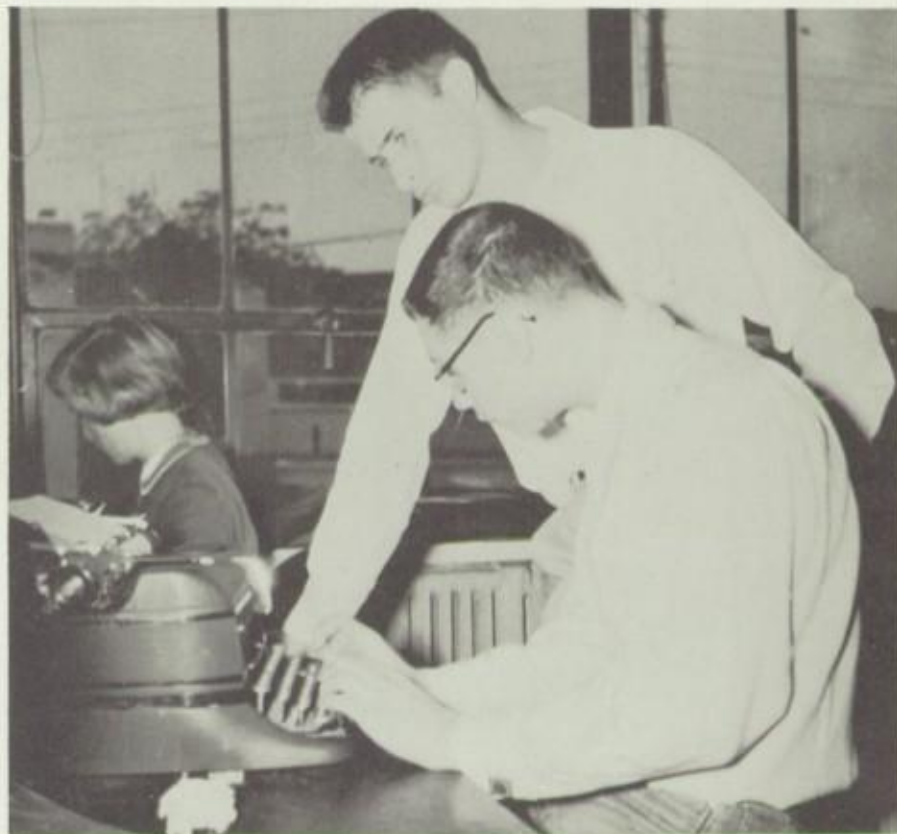
ABOVE: Putting the final touches on the annual are Alice Shantz, Pat Sellinger, Mary Crosser, Martha McDonald, Esther Katonak, Dominic Caprara, Dick Heaston, Ronnie Keysor, Ted Smith, Joe Murray, Dick Paplinski, Marjorie Fox, Liz Cissne, Kathy Finch, Janna Stoutenburg and Jackie Helsel.

LEFT: Assembly songleader, Mr. Charles King, is interviewed by Kathy Finch and Janna Stoutenburg.

"Two roads where they're keeping it"



The final total of the magazine drive sales is computed by top salesmen George Diehl and Mary Shutts and the manager, Dick Heaston.



It must be a serious matter judging by the look on Dominic Caprara's face as he looks over Dick Paplinski's shoulder. Jackie Helsel types in the background.



Ad solicitors Dick Heaston and Dick Palinski start out for another busy afternoon.

YOU are cordially invited to turn the following pages and enjoy the ad section. This year we have used pictures of Norwalk High students at the various places of business. We are confident that this will meet with your approval and add to your enjoyment of the annual.

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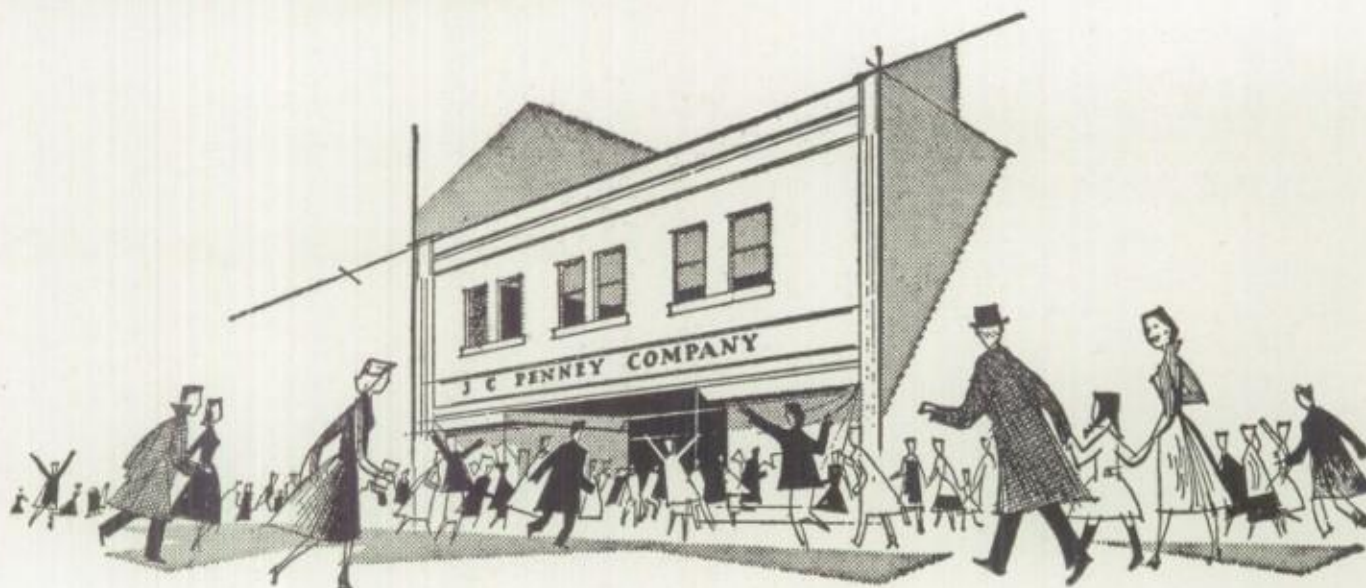
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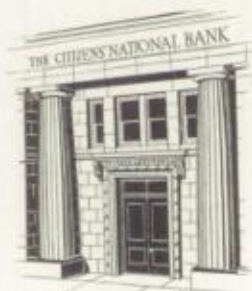
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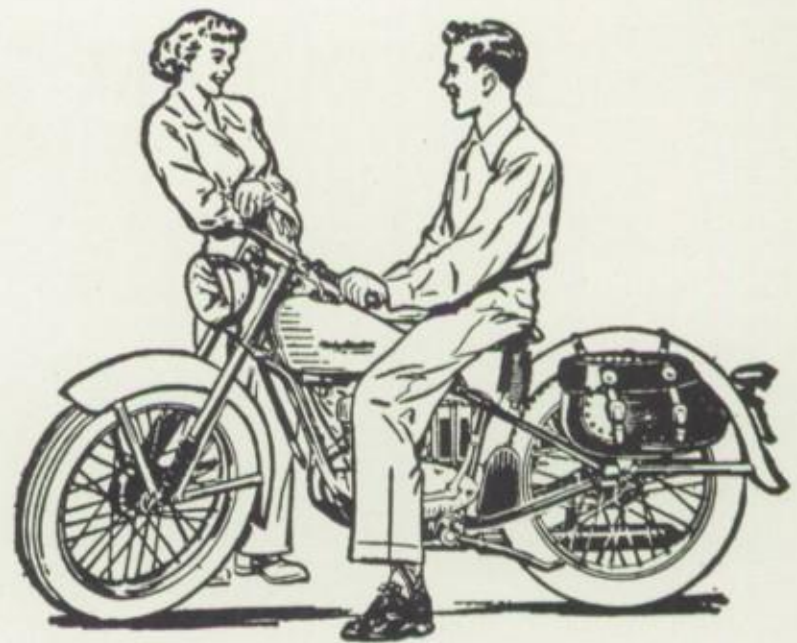
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We had a lot
of fun this year.
I'm looking forward to
this summer. "Pat"
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Pat,
may you have continued
luck + happiness through
the rest of your years.

Judy
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To Pat
Lots of luck
to a real nice
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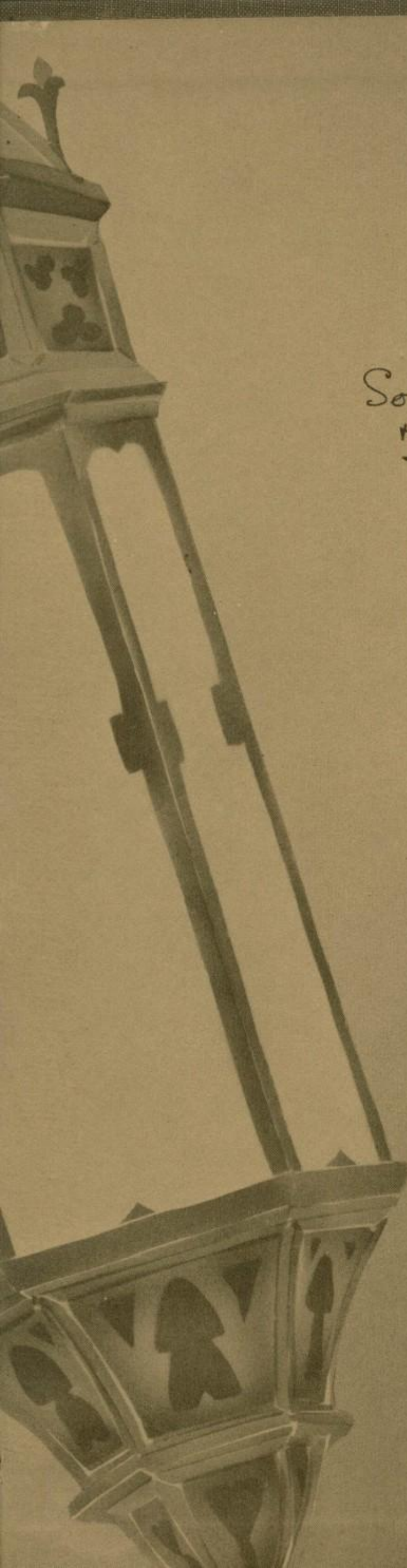
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tons of fun. I
hope you have a good
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and classmate Best
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Our blue is for the valor
Of those in the fight;
Filled are our pages
With golden deeds of right.





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High hold her colours
Long as time may last.

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